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# THE AMERICAN HOME DIET

AN ANSWER TO THE EVER PRESENT QUESTION

WHAT SHALL WE  
HAVE *for* DINNER

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## PREFACE

During the last twenty years steady progress has been made by various agencies in the Department of Agriculture and by the Home Economics Departments in the States in introducing better methods of preparing and of preserving food in the home. One of the chief aims has been to teach the housewife how to select and prepare food so as to provide better nutrition for the family. While this work has been going on, scientific investigation has been making rapid progress in revealing the importance of several factors which were not appreciated a few years ago. As a result of this the character of the instruction in nutrition has necessarily undergone a decided change. The acquisition of numerous new facts relating to nutrition, which has come from experiments on animals, has greatly multiplied the detailed knowledge which the teacher of nutrition must master in order to be able to answer the many technical questions relating to the subject. It has increased the complexity of the problem of inspecting the daily menu so as to make certain that it is adequate in all respects. On the other hand certain generalizations which increasing knowledge has warranted, make it possible to simplify the problem of the housewife instead of complicating it.

It has been the aim of the authors to explain in non-technical language the reasons for the superiority of certain combinations of foods over others, and to offer convincing evidence that the regular use of proper combinations of our common food-stuffs is the key-note to the successful feeding of the family. It is believed that an appreciation of the reasons why certain selections of food should be made, will be welcomed by intelligent housewives everywhere, be-

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cause of the general development of the scientific spirit which is not satisfied with doing without understanding. Hence a considerable amount of space has been devoted to a description of the results of malnutrition of different types. If knowledge is power, and if to be fore-warned is to be fore-armed in other directions, it must of necessity apply to the task of the mother of the family in a vital way.

While it is important that every woman should understand the fundamental facts of nutrition, and of the preservation of food, the task of planning the daily diet of the family so as to conform with the best knowledge which we possess, should be accomplished with the least possible expenditure of thought and energy. The presentation of a suitable menu for each day seemed the best method of attaining this end. It is expected that some freedom will be exercised in substitution of one article for another having similar dietary properties, whenever it seems desirable, but it is believed that in many cases the complete adoption of the menus as they are tabulated will prove most satisfactory.

Due regard for appetite and customary food habits has necessitated the inclusion of meats in one form or another more frequently than physiological need will justify, but it is recognized that to ignore deep-seated psychic demands would defeat the purpose of the authors, which is to work toward the goal of better nutrition for the American family. While catering to the sense of taste for sound psychological reasons, the way is pointed out for the mothers of the rising generation to discourage certain abuses of appetite which are now common, and to establish in childhood an appreciation of wholesome foods.

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## PART I

### CHAPTER I

## INTRODUCTION

It is essential, in order to understand the technical details of the science of nutrition, that one should have an accurate knowledge of those divisions of physiology which relate to digestion and assimilation of food; an appreciation of the conditions within the alimentary tract which favor the growth of one or another type of bacteria, whose presence, according to their race, may be beneficial or harmful; and an understanding of the chemistry of the substances which serve man as food and the changes which they undergo in the body. Such knowledge is not easy to acquire, and its scope is so great that it is not even possible to include all of it in the usual course of study leading to a college degree. It cannot be simplified very far without sacrificing in accuracy. It is not possible for all to become familiar with the technical aspects of the subject, and it is asking too much of the housewife to urge her to try to master the subject of nutrition. Nevertheless, she should understand the subject in its broad outlines, and should possess detailed knowledge of certain phases of it. The interests of the mother of a family extend beyond the supervision of its nutrition. They include its proper clothing, education and moral direction. Insofar as she can attain the desired results in their nutrition and reserve her time and energy for her other duties, an effort should be made to do so. Science must help her in this task.

Scope of  
Science of  
Nutrition

The farmer does not in general understand the chemical why and wherefore of the fertilizers which he uses. It is not probable that he would succeed

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### The Farmer and the Experiment Station

any better if he had a far reaching knowledge of the several sciences which have contributed to the advancement of agriculture. Science has taught him how to improve his animals through systematic selection, for dairying, for meat, egg and wool production. It has shown him how to test his seeds, so that their power to germinate is known before planting. Science has pointed out the importance of rotating crops rather than growing one crop year after year on the same plot. The agricultural experiment stations are making excellent farmers, by the process of instructing them in **what to do**, without the detailed knowledge of the **why**. The farmer can dispense with technical education which would be time consuming and expensive because he can ask questions of experts provided by the state, and get a better answer than he could ever arrive at by means of his own limited opportunity for experiment and observation.

The merchant needs to know quality in his goods, and to be able to judge their worth and how far he can recommend them. He would not in general succeed better with a knowledge of the detailed technique of their manufacture to make it worth while for him to seek this information. The housewife, the farmer and the merchant, and others, need certain knowledge which is directly applicable to their problems, and except as the acquisition of knowledge adds to the joy of living, an investment of efforts toward acquiring technical details relating in some remote way to their business would not be as advisable as the cultivation of an interest in some unrelated field of human endeavor. The latter course would in most cases afford more complete and beneficial recreation, and accordingly would be more advisable.

The mother of a family has a great multiplicity of duties, and one of her greatest needs is for an

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opportunity to be free for a time each day to engage in activities which serve as a recreation. It cannot be denied that much of the education which she has been offered in nutrition has not only not simplified her problem, but has added to it. Is it practical or necessary to confront the housewife with tables giving the fuel values and content of protein, fat and carbohydrate in foods? Is it worth her while to learn to visualize a hundred calorie portion of all of the common food-stuffs? Does not this complicate the whole problem of teaching her the essentials of nutrition? Does it not defeat our end by making her feel that such things are impossible of application in her every-day routine? We all realize that the constant care, planning, timing and watching the progress of cooking foods as well as attention to all the other duties of the household lay a great strain on the nervous system of the woman who conscientiously attends to them. There can be no doubt that women who are attempting to the best of their abilities to do for their families what the dictates of science demand would be greatly relieved if some system which would simplify their work instead of adding to it could be found. An effort to solve this problem, even though only partially successful, is desirable.

**The  
Mother  
and the  
Nutrition  
of the  
Family**

Although there has been great activity during the past few years by various agencies in the work of educating the housewife in matters relating to nutrition, much of what has been written for her has not tended to save her labor, nor has it embodied the new principles which have become firmly established. Many agencies have set themselves up as authorities, and have filled newspapers and magazines and books with advice and directions in a confusing array. The Department of Agriculture has done a most valuable and commendable work in preparing and distributing

**Sources of  
Information  
for the  
Housewife**

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literature for the education of the woman in the home, and its bulletins have always been written by experts in this field and were abreast of the times. The extension workers of this department and in Universities and Colleges have accomplished an immense amount of good. There is no group of teachers who are more keen in keeping informed on the scientific literature, and they well deserve the confidence and patronage which they are receiving. The interpretation of the problems of nutrition found in these pages is essentially that now generally recognized by teachers.

Over  
Emphasis  
on Attract-  
iveness of  
Food

Not  
Necessary  
to Compute  
Calories

In the columns of newspapers and magazines devoted to the home we see daily an unending series of new recipes for the preparation of novel dishes. This is a movement in the wrong direction. It tends to cultivate an unfortunate practice of seeking after novelty in appearance of foods. It over-emphasizes the importance of attractiveness of service, and entices the woman in the home to give time and effort to making fancy dishes, when her efforts could be much better spent in other ways. Children who grow up to be accustomed to never ending variety in foods acquire false and useless standards. The young wife who must do as well as her mother-in-law is said to have done in making things which are good to look at and to taste is frequently much closer tied to the kitchen than is necessary or desirable in order to furnish wholesome and nutritious food, and is robbed of her right to leisure which she might well employ to her advantage in other pursuits. Americans should return to simplicity in diet for the relief of the housewife, and for the good of their children. Any plan which urges the mother of the family to keep note of the calories consumed by her family should be discouraged, since it adds to her mental labors instead of affording relief. Satisfactory nutrition can be se-

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cured for the family without this or the solution each day of a scientific problem in trying to properly adjust the protein and energy intake to the individual needs of every member of the family. A movement in the direction of simplifying the work of the kitchen is much needed.

It is true that in many institutions such as orphanages, prisons and asylums the inmates do not eat enough, either because they cannot get it, or because the quality is so unsatisfactory that the appetite fails. It is also true that even in good homes a child may fail to eat enough because of fatigue from lack of sufficient sleep, or because of excitement due to apprehension that it will fail to reach school on time, or fail to prepare a lesson. Children who live so far from school as to make it barely possible for them to reach home, eat and return to the school house during the noon recess, cannot be expected to eat in the proper frame of mind, and doubtless in many cases such children do not eat enough. All children should be weighed at regular intervals, and any failure to increase in weight at the rate which is normal for their ages, should be regarded with alarm and all possible causes inquired into and the actual cause removed when discovered. A satisfactory food supply and proper eating habits will not alone guarantee health. They must be supplemented with other good habits. Proper rest periods, proper exercise, good hygienic surroundings and peace of mind, each play an important role.

The view has been accepted at the outset that while there is danger of over-eating by those with little judgment or self-respect, there is none that a normal person in health will fail to eat enough when food is available and presented in an attractive form. We can trust to the appetite to serve as a guide when the diet is properly made up to the amount of food

**Appetite  
Should  
Regulate  
Quantity  
of Food**



which should be eaten. Those who work hard during the forenoon seldom fail to react at the dinner table with an appetite sufficient to insure their covering a possible deficit of calories which might be expected to follow a repetition of the same active work in the afternoon. Those who do not do manual work do not as a rule have the gigantic appetites of laborers, and if they eat as do the latter, they ultimately suffer from it. It is doubtful whether the housewife has ever restricted the food intake of her family by preparing for them the amounts of food which her mathematics and tables determine to be their individual needs. In the well regulated household there is always available some article to satisfy the appetite of a member of the family circle who may, because of unusual activity, want more than his usual amount of food. Why not take the appetite as a guide at the outset and ignore calculations of all kinds?

Scientific research has fully demonstrated that the view which was universally accepted a few years ago, viz. that the protein and energy needs of the body are the two most fundamental factors in nutrition, is erroneous. In the older literature foods were selected solely on the basis of their chemical composition and fuel value, and the commonest comparison of the feeding of an individual was with the stoking of an engine. Standards were adopted for the protein and energy requirements of the individual on the basis of age, sex and amount of work performed. This system remained in vogue for want of anything better. It was based on sound scientific facts, so far as it went, but these facts were of a nature which made them of little value for the immediate needs of the one who plans the daily diet. While data of this kind still remains of great usefulness in the estimation of large purchases of food for groups of persons, the family group is so small that suitable amounts of

Energy Not  
the Most  
Important  
Factor

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food can easily be estimated with the eye by the experienced purchaser. This system did not, we now know, take into account all the factors which must be considered in the choice of food, but it had other defects as well.

Chief among these defects was the view that the woman who plans the meals must keep rigidly in mind several matters such as the special needs of different members of the family group, the working man; the sedentary man, his fatness or leanness; the child in school; the aunt with a tendency to overweight; and grandfather who is getting old. Such a demand on a housekeeper who has all the usual household cares on her mind defeats its own end, and after an excursion into the literature of nutrition she usually reverts to the old and well tried method of providing the things which experience has taught her her family likes, and she gives them as much as they want.

**Tendency to  
Overweight**

We have failed to find any evidence either in animal experimentation or in human experience to warrant the belief that there is any essential difference in the character of the diet which will best support well-being in persons of different ages. It is true that certain foods which are not suited to the delicate digestive tract of the infant or young child can be safely taken by an adult. It is by no means certain, however, that the adult will be well nourished and his vitality maintained at a high level by diets which are unsuited to the child of four or five years. Indeed, there are strong reasons for believing that such diets as maintain normal growth and vigor in children past infancy are physiologically superior to any which would not fulfill these requirements. There is no satisfactory evidence that the character of the diet should be changed when growth is completed. It is advisable, in order to make use of certain foods

**Adult's Diet  
Should  
Promote  
Growth in  
the Young**

which can be produced economically, for the adult portion of the population to use to some extent foods which are not suitable for infants or young children, for it seems that this can be done without detrimental effects by following very simple rules for combining them so as to make good each others deficiencies.

The mother of a growing family has it in her power to educate them according to their capacity to become normal human beings. Young children should be restrained from incessant eating, and the same restraint should be continued during the adolescent period when the boy or girl, overflowing with animal spirits, and active in out-door activities, would frequently, if left to their own choice, take food at any time it is available. In the schools, as well as in the home, children should be taught what kind of a diet best promotes health, and the dangers to health and happiness in later life which follows the violation of the laws of nutrition. Failure to develop a normal appetite for wholesome foods at meal time as the result of taking all but worthless soft drinks and confections, and of eating candy regularly between meals, may be reflected in any abnormal craving for more of the articles which delight because of their appearance, taste and odor, when in reality it is a sign of abnormality due to faulty nutrition. If the effects of such transgressions were more prompt and more severe, their seriousness would be more often appreciated by parents. Unfortunately their effects are slow and cumulative, and their future menace seems too remote to exert much corrective influence.

The central idea in the system of diet provided by the menus for the entire year which are presented in this book is that it is possible to substitute for the type of instruction which has been given in the past to the housewife, and which requires her to learn something new and difficult, a plan which saves her the



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task of continually exercising ingenuity in planning succeeding meals. At the same time it assures her that the diet presented to her family at every meal time complies with all the requirements of physiology so far as our present knowledge makes possible. The almost universal tendency to constipation and its debilitating effects have been kept constantly in mind, and the menus regularly contain articles which tend to correct it. The amounts of meats served will fall decidedly below that common in many households, and the cheaper cuts have been introduced as far as seemed consistent with the serving of attractive food. There has been a distinct effort made to make the flesh foods go as far as possible in conferring palatability on vegetable foods, and a more liberal use of milk is assured than is common in the average American home by the regular introduction of milk into cookery. This in itself cannot fail to improve markedly the quality of the diet over what is now in daily use almost universally in this country. In addition it may be claimed for the menus presented that they are of such a nature as to satisfy the appetite of anyone whose esthetic demands for food are not over fastidious. At the same time they are not so tempting as to encourage over eating.

**Central Idea  
of the Plan**

Foreign and meaningless names of dishes have not been used, and this we believe requires no apology or defense. The spirit of Americanism has grown greatly in recent years, and it is time that it should be reflected in the household books on diet.

**No Foreign  
Terms**

Since the object is to simplify the work of feeding the family throughout the year so as best to promote its health, and at the same time to give the housewife as much respite as possible from the kitchen, very few dishes are included which require great expenditure of time or labor. Simplicity of service has also been kept in mind with the same end in view. To the

Simple  
Foods and  
Simplicity  
of Service

woman who finds her greatest pleasure in life in setting an artistic table, and who really likes to spend much time in making fancy dishes, this idea may not appeal, but to the judicious woman who realizes the importance of having both a profession and respite from it for recreation and self improvement, a plan for efficiency in her business, and shorter hours of work cannot fail to be welcome.

It was deemed inadvisable to enter into a discussion of the diet of the sick. Rather, it is aimed to prevent disorders of metabolism which result from violation of physiological laws by preventing errors in diet. A simple discussion of the common elements of danger in the handling of food of infants, and well established facts concerning why food should be properly handled, is included because an understanding of these matters should be a part of the stock of knowledge of every mother. A discussion in non-technical language of the properties of each of the more important foods, and the requirements which must be met in human nutrition, is included in order to give the housewife an appreciation of the theory on which the diets which she serves are formulated. This cannot fail to add interest in her work.

## CHAPTER II.

### THE RELATION OF THE DIET TO HEALTH

The span of human life has been nearly doubled during the last century and a half because of the operation of several factors. Living conditions have been improved through sanitation; water and milk supplies have been rendered nearly safe; the fly nuisance abated, and thereby typhoid fever greatly reduced; mosquito control has eradicated yellow fever and has in certain localities greatly reduced malaria. Preventive medicine has worked wonders in producing immunity against several diseases, and progress in this direction is still being made.

Hygiene  
Tends to  
Prolong  
Life

Much, however, remains to be accomplished in alleviating the sufferings of mankind. The mortality records show a marked decline in the power of American workers to withstand certain influences in modern life. This is manifested in an extraordinary increase in the death rate from breaking down of the heart, hardening of the arteries, the development of diseases of the kidneys and an increase in nervous and digestive disorders.

These diseases are developing in younger people with each succeeding decade, and now reach down into middle life, and are increasing in people of all ages. They are old age diseases, and yet among the 410,000 people who die annually from them, 60,000 die under the age of forty years; 105,000 die between the ages of forty and sixty years, and 245,000 die above the age of sixty. Tuberculosis causes every year about one-tenth of the total death rate, and little if anything has been accomplished in reducing its prevalence. There is no better treatment for this disease than rest, fresh, clean, cold air, and good feed-

Old Age  
Diseases

ing. The recovery of thousands under this regime attests its value. There is little doubt that bad living conditions and especially the adherence to a diet of poor quality, lowers the vitality and renders people susceptible to the disease, and is in great measure responsible for its wide spread occurrence.

Not only is the span of life shortened by these old age diseases, but the productive period of life and the capacity of the individual are reduced. Accidents, damaged products and ruined machinery, as well as physical discomfort and mental suffering, are the price which society is paying for living in such a way as to foster the early degeneration of the body tissues and consequently early loss of youth. They are the causes of inaccuracy, lack of efficiency and lack of success. The records show that the mortality from these old age diseases has increased nearly one hundred per cent. in thirty years. There can no longer be any doubt that faulty nutrition is one of the most important factors contributing to this condition.

Early  
Aging  
Increasing

Early aging is manifested not only in the ways just mentioned, but is reflected in the character of much of the advertising matter in our newspapers and periodicals. There is no more promptly appearing sign of poor nutrition than loss of the normal texture and quality of the skin. The numerous expensive spaces devoted to describing the virtues of facial soaps, beauty lotions and skin foods, reveal the profit arising from an appreciation by manufacturers of the extent to which the women of America today are observing in their mirrors skins which have lost the quality seen in the faces of well nourished school girls in the primary grades. It is further reflected in the elaborate displays of hair of shades characteristic of youth in the windows of every city; in the scores of different remedies for constipation; in cures for bald-

ness, and in the financial success of magazines devoted to physical culture.

These and other causes for uneasiness to so large a portion of our population reveal the need for a full appreciation of the kind of habits of life which will conserve better than we are now conserving the buoyancy of childhood and adolescence, which but occasionally remain long with either men or women after growth is completed. It is time to present to our children, in practical form, the best advice possible in the light of modern nutrition studies, concerning how to live so as to promote health and vigor, and to preserve as long as possible the characteristics of youth. One of the most important means of preventing the deterioration of the body is through proper nutrition.

Poor physical condition is by no means restricted to recent years in this country, nor is it necessarily due to modern conditions of city living. Many will recall how our grandmothers insisted on the frequent treatments with sulphur and molasses; the periodical dosing with bitters, and the efficacy of sassafras tea in the spring as a means of "thinning the blood", which was supposed to become impure and thick during the winter. Among our pioneer ancestors the idea was generally accepted that there was a need for a spring medicine of some kind. There can be little doubt that this belief rested on common experience. We know that in the early settlement of many of the states the people suffered great hardships. With little capital and no food reserve, their winter diet was generally very simple and monotonous, and there is good reason to believe that it was chemically unsatisfactory for the maintenance of health. After a period of several months during each succeeding winter they felt "run down,"

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Not New

Former  
Demand  
for Spring  
Medicines



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Restricted  
Winter  
Diet

and when spring came the prevalence of "that tired feeling" which the almanacs which were circulated by patent medicine concerns made such profitable use of in convincing people that they needed a course of treatment with sarsaparilla or a "spring tonic" or other "blood purifier," was so universal that it established the belief that winter was an unhealthful season. If one now investigates the same communities where a few years ago this condition was regularly observed, one finds prosperous farms, well supplied with dairy heads, orchards and all the signs of moderate prosperity. There is much less pronounced difference between the winter and summer diet, for these reasons and because of the abundance of canned fruits and vegetables put up at home or easily procurable from the grocery stores. These changes have caused the disappearance of the tired feeling in the spring (or better, at the end of winter), and consequently the need for spring medicines.

Effects  
of the  
Spring  
Diet

The vendor of spring medicines had a powerful ally in the spring diet of his customers. With the coming of warm weather various "greens" were available and were eagerly sought after. Sorrel pies, wild onions and dandelions came from the prairies and were added promptly to the food supply. The cows, which because of their starved condition had been dry all winter, became fresh and milk was available. The few hens in the barnyard added worms, insects and tender grass to their diet and began to lay eggs. The garden came on and fresh vegetables were abundant and were eaten with a relish which can be appreciated only by one who has for a period been semi-starved. The tired feeling disappeared about this time, but the regular spring remedies had been taken, and the beneficial results of better diet were wrongly attributed to the efficacy of drugs.

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The diet of rat No. 1 consisted from weaning time of bolted wheat flour 20, degerminated cornmeal 10, cooked and dried potato 30, peas 10, navy beans 10, beets 5, turnips 5, and cooked and dried beefsteak 10 per cent.

When photographed it was 308 days old. The life of the domestic rat is about 3 years, and this animal corresponded approximately in age to a man



of 28 or 30 years. Note the small size, thin hair, and general old and miserable appearance. This diet afforded wide variety, has an appropriate chemical composition insofar as analysis could show, was palatable, and included only natural food products of recognized wholesomeness, and from both animal and vegetable sources. Notwithstanding these facts the nutrition of a group of animals restricted to this food supply was very faulty.

Rat No. 2 was the same age as the one above, and had been fed on the same diet from weaning time,

except for one modification; its diet consisted of bolted wheat flour 20, degerminated cornmeal 10, potato 24, peas 8, navy beans 8, turnips 5, beets 5, beefsteak 10, and dry whole milk (Merrill-Soule Company) 10 per cent.

The addition of milk to the diet of rat No. 2 shown in the picture made the difference which is illustrated by the photographs. The one which received the



milk was youthful, vigorous, and much larger than the one receiving the same food without it.

New  
Knowledge  
of  
Nutrition

It is only within the last four or five years that anyone could say what constitutes a satisfactory diet, but we now know definitely that the regular diet of a large portion of the people of the United States is falling short of maintaining satisfactory nutrition. Our knowledge of nutrition has been gained wholly by experiments on animals. The information thus gained has enabled us to study the quality of the



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dietaries used by man in a manner which would otherwise have been impossible. The effects of different kinds of diets on man can best be understood by an illustration of the effects of certain combinations of foods on animals.

It has been found impossible to nourish laboratory animals satisfactorily on any diet which is derived entirely from cereals (wheat, oats, corn, rice) and other seeds; tubers such as the potato, edible roots such as sweet potato, turnip or beet, together with meats which are derived from the muscle tissue of animals (ham, steak, etc.). Even when fed a diet containing wheat flour, corn meal, peas, beans, potato, turnip, beet and round steak, young animals have always failed to grow to more than two-thirds of their normal adult size, and they grew more slowly than they were capable of growing. They produced but few if any young, and almost never succeeded in keeping the few which they have produced alive through the nursing period. Before animals which were fed on this diet were more than a quarter through the normal span of life of well fed individuals, they were rough looking and thin haired. The skin was rough and dry, and they had all the appearances of extreme old age and were ready to die by the time they were a third through the span of life normal to the species.

Seeds,  
Tubers,  
Roots and  
Meats Not  
Sufficient

The same diet with a liberal supply of milk added produced a remarkable contrast in a similar group of animals fed at the same time. This is well illustrated by the appearance of one of the animals from each group. (See pp. 15-16) The above described diet of cereals, peas, beans, tubers, roots and meat is also remarkably improved by the addition of such leaves as celery tops, spinach, cabbage, turnip tops and other **green vegetables**. It is obvious from these results that there is some remarkable difference be-

Importance  
of Milk  
and Green  
Vegetables

tween the dietary properties of leaves or of milk as contrasted with any of the ordinary seeds, tubers, roots and lean meat which are so commonly used as food for man and animals. By appropriate experiments it has been possible to determine wherein this superiority of milk and leaf lies.

Some  
Proteins  
Have Little  
Value

It has been learned that the proteins of the cereals and of beans and peas, tubers and edible roots are of rather poor quality because they do not yield sufficient amounts of certain of the simple digestion products which are formed in the stomach and intestine. These digestion products are the building stones of which the muscle tissues are made during growth. Unless the right kinds with respect to size and shape are furnished by the food proteins the exact pattern on which the muscle must be constructed cannot be formed, and in this case growth is interfered with.

Mineral  
Salts Very  
Important

It has long been known that several mineral elements such as those in common salt, lime, phosphorus, iron, etc., must be furnished by the food. It was not appreciated until recently, however, that many of our commonest food-stuffs do not contain enough of certain of these, especially lime, to meet the requirements of a rapidly growing young animal. Seeds, tubers, roots and lean meat are all poor in lime, and the milling products of wheat, corn and rice are also very poor in iron and phosphorus. Animals have been found to be surprisingly sensitive to a shortage of any one of the mineral elements which are indispensable, and are seriously injured if allowed to go with too small a supply.

During the last few years it has been discovered that there are three substances of remarkable interest which the diet must supply, which were not suspected to exist until recently. They are remarkable in the fact that but a surprisingly small amount of each is

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necessary to meet the needs of an animal, but even the small amounts which cannot be dispensed with are not present in many foods. One of these will not take the place of another. All must be supplied. When one or another of these three substances is absent from the diet, or is furnished in inadequate amount, there results a peculiar disease. There are three of them, and they have come to be called "deficiency diseases." Each is the result of the lack of a single substance. These interesting food units have been given an unfortunate number of names. They have been called vitamins, accessory food substances, fat-soluble A, water-soluble B, water-soluble C, etc. No less than twenty-five variations in the nomenclature of the three have come to the attention of the authors. A brief account of the so-called deficiency diseases follows.

Newly  
Appreciated  
Dietary  
Essentials

**SCURVY.** This is a disease due to faulty diet. It has ceased to be common in recent times, and is now met with chiefly in babies who are not properly fed. Occasional cases are met among Arctic explorers, and the disease is common among prospectors in Alaska. It was very common among sailors in the 16th and 17th centuries, because of the very poor quality of the diet which was furnished them on ship-board. Scurvy is prevented, and when not too far advanced can be cured by eating fresh vegetables generally. Orange juice, lime juice and lemon juice, fresh cabbage, raw potato, onions and tomatoes enjoy the special reputation of being of exceptional value in the prevention and cure of the disease. Scurvy is a very serious disease. The teeth become loose and the gums spongy. The latter bleed easily and the capillary blood vessels in the skin on various parts of the body rupture and cause hemorrhages in spots. The patient suffers great pain and weakness. The disease is liable

Fruit  
Juices and  
Raw  
Vegetables  
Prevent  
Scurvy

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to develop in anyone who lives for several months exclusively on cooked, canned and dried foods, no matter how abundant the diet or the extent of its variety. This is illustrated by the serious outbreak among the British troops in Mesopotamia in the great war.

Diets Which  
Produce  
Scurvy

Scurvy is easily prevented by the inclusion in the diet of moderate amounts of fresh, unheated fruits or vegetables, or by using raw milk. Considering the number of people who derive almost all their food supply from wheat flour, corn meal, rolled oats, breakfast cereals, beans, peas, potatoes and meats, all of which have been thoroughly heated, it seems rather remarkable that this disease is not more common than it is. It seems probable that many people come very close to the minimum intake of the protective substance for scurvy (the antiscorbutic substance) which allows them to escape having the disease by a narrow margin. The above list of foods may be supplemented by canned milk, cooked cabbage, butter or butter substitute, molasses, prunes, raisins, canned fruits, cheese, macaroni, crackers and canned foods of almost any description, and yet the diet will contain so little of the antiscorbutic substance that a person who adheres to it for several weeks or months will be in danger of developing scurvy, although he may just escape. The occasional outbreak of this disease in garrisons, prisons and besieged armies illustrates this fact. Those who will take the trouble to learn how very great a part of the total food supply of many employed persons is derived from the list of foods just given; foods which the grocer can handle without danger of loss because they are marketed in a nearly non-perishable condition, must realize how narrow is the margin of safety against scurvy in such cases. The purchase of some fruit such as apples, pears, peaches, oranges, bananas

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to be taken raw, or the use of raw tomatoes, lettuce, celery, nuts, etc., in salads, cabbage to be eaten as cold slaw, cantaloupe, etc., is economy in the interest of health. They serve a specific purpose which is important because of our modern food habits.

**XEROPHTHALMIA** (Pronounced ze-rof-thal-mia) of a certain type is an eye disease due to faulty diet. The substance which protects against it is not abundant in any of our ordinary foods except in butter and egg yolk. It is associated with the fats in these foods, but strange to say it does not occur in any of the vegetable fats or oils. It is less abundant in the leaves of plants, but is found nowhere else among our ordinary food-stuffs in sufficient amounts to meet the needs of either a growing child or an adult.

**An Eye  
Disease  
Caused by  
Faulty  
Diet**

In this deficiency disease the eyes become inflamed, the lids swollen, even to an extent which prevents their being opened. The coats of the eyeball frequently rupture, and the contents of the eye are expelled. Blindness will result in a short time if the diet is wholly lacking in the protective substance. It is relieved in its early stages in a very spectacular manner by feeding butter, cream, egg yolk, such glandular organs of animals as liver and kidney, and likewise by the liberal use of leafy vegetables. Although this disease has not been at all common in this country, at least fifteen hundred cases have been observed in Japan, and sixty in Denmark. In Japan the diet of the children consisted too largely of cereal foods, and in Denmark the trouble was confined to infants and young children who were fed exclusively on separator skimmed milk. Many of these children promptly recovered when given whole milk, or cream mixtures. Blindness due to malnutrition appears to have resulted frequently among children in some parts of Europe devastated by the war.

**Butter,  
Cream and  
Egg Yolk**



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### Night Blindness

Several reports are to be found in the medical literature of a condition called night-blindness, which afflicts men living in lumber camps and elsewhere whose diets are limited to a short list of foods such as wheat flour, beans, meat, tea and coffee, with only occasionally other additions. This condition is common in Newfoundland, where a large part of the seafaring population restrict themselves to the simple diet just mentioned. It seems highly probable that this condition represents the beginning of the disease which we are discussing. The common remedy for it in lumber camps is drinking of milk or the consumption of cheese. This new discovery in nutrition emphasizes the importance of including dairy products in the diet. Milk is the cheapest and most efficient food for supplying the substance which protects against this type of malnutrition.

### Beri-beri

BERI-BERI is a deficiency disease which occurs widely distributed over the world. It occurs most frequently in the Orient, especially among the poorer classes whose diet is very simple and monotonous. It afflicts especially those who eat polished rice as the chief cereal, and who make the remainder of their diet largely fish or meat. It is common in Laborador and Newfoundland and among people who eat little else than wheat bread made from bolted flour, fish and salt meats, tea, and occasionally duff with raisins. The disease is common in South America among natives and groups of laborers who are fed by their employers principally on staple, non-perishable cereal products and meat.

The principal manifestation of beri-beri is a general paralysis. Animal experimentation has demonstrated that the only foods which are entirely lacking in the substance which protects against this type of malnutrition are polished rice, starch, sugar, glucose and the fats and oils from both animal and vegetable

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sources. Bolted wheat flour, degerminated corn meal, certain breakfast cereals, macaroni, spaghetti, tapioca, hominy made by the present commercial process, steak, ham and other cuts of meat which come from muscle tissue, fish and fowl muscle, are all very poor sources of the substance which protects against this disease. Ordinary cooking, or heating sufficient to preserve foods in canning does not greatly decrease their value with respect to this protective substance. Beans, peas, raw and cooked vegetables of all kinds, milk, eggs and fruits are all good sources of this food complex.

It should be emphasized that the faulty character of the various articles mentioned above in connection with the prevention or cure of any of the deficiency diseases, does not indicate that these are not good and wholesome foods, and does not indicate that they should not enter into the diet of man as they have done in the past. These foods which are deficient in one or another respect, form our staple articles of diet. Many of them are among our most important agricultural crops and we should continue to make use of them freely. The thing to be kept in mind is that nearly all of our common foods are deficient in some degree in one or more respects, but that the shortcomings are not the same in different classes of foods, so that by using suitable combinations which supplement each other in the proper manner, highly satisfactory diets can be secured.

**Safe to Use  
Faulty Foods  
in Right  
Combina-  
tions**

We should avoid the use of diets which, while not sufficiently faulty to produce a condition which can be recognized as a breakdown of the type of one or another of the so-called deficiency diseases, may yet be so faulty as to bring the individual into a state of chronic nutritional instability. There can be no doubt that such a condition is common at the present time, and in providing a list of menus for the entire year,

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such as is listed in later pages of this book, the object is to do away with such a danger. Avoidance of error in the selection of foods which will properly supplement each other so as to insure good nutrition, demands a somewhat extensive knowledge of the principles of nutrition, and of the peculiar quality with respect to each of the several dietary factors of each of the articles which enter into the day's ration. Such knowledge cannot, for some time, if ever, become familiar to every housewife. Even if she possessed it, in order to be successful she should have to give a degree of attention to the planning of each meal which would be a burdensome task.

### Rickets Causes Faulty Bone Growth

RICKETS appears not to be a deficiency disease in the same sense that scurvy, xerophthalmia and beri-beri are, but it is directly the result of faulty nutrition in young children. Starvation for lime salts is one of the predisposing factors, but a poorly constituted diet aggravates the tendency toward the development of this distressing condition. Faulty bone growth is the most noticeable feature of the disease. Heated milk, which includes canned milk and boiled milk, if fed to an infant continuously for a considerable period will place the child in jeopardy, and the danger is increased by liberal feeding with cereal foods. Many babies doubtless escape an attack of rickets when confined to a faulty diet, merely by reason of escaping acute digestive disturbances which may be caused by dirty milk. The disturbances of digestive function so frequently caused by unclean food, weaken the child and interfere with its nutrition to an extent which turns the balance against it.



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### CHAPTER III.

#### The Relation of Faulty Nutrition To Early Loss Of Youth

It is possible for man to live exclusively on a diet of flesh, and indeed the Eskimo subsists almost exclusively on food of animal origin. He could not live on steak and ham as his sole food supply however. The secret of his success, such as it is, lies in the use of blood, bone marrow, the glandular organs and the soft bones of frozen fish, along with muscle tissue and a large amount of fat. Studies on laboratory animals have clearly established the fact that only by such dietary habits can the carnivorous diet succeed, but while such a food supply may sustain life, it is not satisfactory in promoting good nutrition. It is characteristic of all exclusive flesh eaters, both men and animals, that they are active, aggressive and persevering only when hungry. When they have been fed they become lethargic and dull. Dr. Grenfell says in his book on Labrador, that the Eskimo will not catch one fish while a white fisherman will catch ten.

Man Can  
Live on  
Animal  
Tissues  
Alone

It is now definitely established that there are but two kinds of diets suitable for people in regions where agriculture is possible, which are satisfactory for the maintenance of health and vigor over a long period, viz.: those which contain either milk or the leafy vegetables in suitable amounts.(\*). Since there are certain deficiencies from the dietary standpoint in all seeds, tubers, roots and lean meats, and it is necessary to add to any assortment of these, either milk or the leaf of some plant, in order to make them

(\*)For an extended account of the results of nutrition studies with animals and their bearing on the nutrition of man, the reader is referred to *The Newer Knowledge of Nutrition*, by E. V. McCollum, The Macmillan Company, New York, 1918.

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The  
Protective  
Foods

dietetically complete, we have designated milk and the leafy vegetables the **protective foods**. To some extent eggs may also be regarded as a protective food, but eggs are not so good a source of lime.

Faulty  
Menus  
Common

In the light of such experimental data obtained with animals it is interesting to note that a menu of veal cutlets, boiled or baked potatoes, buttered peas, gelatin salad, bread, butter or a substitute for it, mince pie and coffee, would be recognized by the average family as a satisfactory dinner. This menu is derived entirely from a meat representing muscle tissue; a tuber, potato; a legume seed, pea; gelatin, a protein from meat or bone; a cereal, bread; meat and fruit from which mince meat is prepared and a fat, butter or a substitute made from animal or vegetable fats. Such a diet cannot be regarded as satisfactory for the maintenance of health, although it complies with the older standards of chemical composition which were supposed to be adequate as a basis of judgment. We now know that it is necessary to make our selection of foods from **certain sources**, as well as to be sure that the diet contains enough of all the substances which we know how to estimate chemically, in order to have it complete. It is a simple matter to modify the above menu so as to greatly improve its value. If breaded cutlets (dressed with egg and bread crumbs), mashed potatoes to which milk is added, creamed peas, gelatin salad, bread and butter and caramel custard are substituted, the meal would not differ appreciably in attractiveness and palatability from the former, yet it would be decidedly superior to it for the maintenance of health.

It is well known to those who have inquired into the matter, that there are thousands of American families who are using little or no milk, and who eat practically no green vegetable other than an occasional serving of cabbage. We in America have

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developed a system of diet which is fairly good in by far the greater number of homes throughout the land, because nearly or quite enough milk and its products are used. In most instances, however, the diet would be further improved by the use of more milk, and nearly every family in the land is taking far less green vegetables than it should. In many of the large cities the consumption of milk per person averages less than a pint a day. Since all children in families where intelligent care is given them are furnished about a pint and a half or more each per day, and a considerable number of adults in good homes take a similar amount, it must be true that many homes use little or no milk regularly. Direct inquiry has shown this to be the case.

Not Enough  
Milk Is  
Used

Green vegetables, generally speaking, are very expensive, as are also fruits. To some extent the excellent dehydrated products now available could be used to great advantage and doubtless will be as soon as the public learns how highly the processes of dehydration, with the preservation of the appetizing qualities of the fresh articles, have been perfected. At present fruits are eaten but sparingly in many households because of their cost. They are highly desirable for the reasons which have been discussed. It is certain that the food supply now commonly used in thousands of households would not support any species of animal in a state of health over a very great fraction of its span of life. There is much direct evidence that such diets as are now common do not maintain health and vigor in adult human beings, much less do they lead to normal development in a growing child.

Leafy  
Vegetables  
Have  
Remarkable  
Value

In considering the effects of a diet which is more or less faulty, but of sufficiently good quality to prevent its evil effects from becoming promptly noticeable, we must take into account the life history of the

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### Effects of Faulty Diet

individual. In experimental animals it is found that such diets as do not contain the protective foods lead to early aging and short life, and that the life is ordinarily terminated by diseases such as tuberculosis or pneumonia. The animals may appear to be in fairly good condition for weeks or months, according to the length of life of which the species is capable, but their lives are terminated at a quarter, a third or a half of the span which they might reach if they were well nourished. A period of debility precedes death, and when the vitality reaches a certain low level they become the prey of infections which carry them off. The effects of faulty diet are present before they can be recognized by any outward sign. Nervousness and irritability are many times the first noticeable symptoms, and following these the poor condition of the skin and hair attract attention. In all these respects we have the counterparts in man.

### Baby Should Be Nursed

A typical life history of an individual may be somewhat as follows: In infancy it is nursed for a short time, but because the mother does not have an adequate milk supply or on account of the inconvenience of nursing, the child is placed on bottle feeding. For a time it thrives on cow's milk, but is accidentally given a bottle of stale or dirty milk, which causes an attack of indigestion followed by diarrhea. A physician takes it off of a milk diet, substituting a cereal water for a few days, then gradually replaces the latter by milk and the infant begins to grow again and is apparently normal. The milk is, however, frequently not clean and fresh, and the baby suffers more or less from indigestion, is fretful and does not get enough rest and sleep because of its discomfort, and accordingly does not grow as fast as it should for considerable periods. Its delicate digestive apparatus is more or less debilitated by irritation from unwholesome decomposition caused by the action of certain kinds

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of bacteria which should never have been allowed to enter it. Its capacity to digest and absorb food is lowered, and the child may suffer from a slight attack of rickets which result in its legs being somewhat crooked in later life. As it grows older and is given eggs and fruit and cereal with its milk it develops better, but is always somewhat under weight, a little pale and not so energetic as it should be. When just out of infancy many children are allowed to eat meat, and too much sugar or syrup. Sometimes, because of being given milk which is stale and bad flavored they form a distaste for it, and are allowed to go without it. No effort is made to cultivate a liking for spinach, cabbage or other green **leafy** vegetables, and the result of one or all of these abuses is an under nourished child.

Babies Are  
Often  
Injured by  
Improper  
Feeding

After passing out of infancy the child may be allowed to continue the faulty eating habits just described, and in addition, to eat between meals and so spoil its appetite when it comes to the table. Meats and sweets are eaten entirely too freely, and the remainder of the diet may consist largely of bread and butter and potatoes. Such eating habits fail to make the child develop normally at a time when the permanent teeth are forming, and the foundation of life-long dental troubles are laid. We have become so accustomed to see children whose physical development is distinctly below what it should be that as a rule parents do not feel a sense of guilt for a condition in their children which is wholly the result of their own neglect of duty. To be sure it is the result of ignorance, or indifference, but the outcome of their failure to meet their obligation is, nevertheless, a life-long tragedy for their offspring.

Wrong  
Eating  
Habits in  
Children  
Cause  
Injury

The housing together of a large number of children in the schools exposes them to colds, and all the common children's diseases, and makes it practically



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Hygienic  
Conditions  
Are Also  
Important

certain that all will have measles, whooping-cough, chicken-pox, mumps, and repeated colds of a contagious nature. These could be greatly reduced if greater attention were given to preventing the attendance of school by sick children, but at present there seems little hope of greatly reducing this menace to the health of the child. All diseases are a menace to future health, and add to the probability that the tonsils may become infected, or that catarrhal conditions of the nose and throat may become established, or that tuberculosis may be contracted. Sleeping in closed rooms and lack of fresh air and exercise during the winter months all tend to debilitate the child, and to render it less capable in later life than it might have been.

More  
Attention  
Given to  
Proper  
Feeding of  
Farm  
Animals  
Than to  
Children

In the better class of American homes a sufficient amount of milk, eggs and ice cream, and of fruits and vegetables are used to make it possible for children to grow up to what appears to the average observer a fairly normal physical condition, because our standards of what constitutes normality are low. Such standards are in general what we are accustomed to, rather than standards based on a careful consideration of what can be realized. It is high time that every mother should know as much about feeding her family as the thousands of successful farmers now know about feeding live-stock. In the barnyard the money factor has been sufficient to cause reform, but too many mothers are giving a large amount of thought and time as well as labor to solving the problem of dressing themselves and their children attractively, while leaving their physical development entirely to chance. Physical vigor is the fundamental basis of health, enjoyment, achievement and long life, and every consideration should be subordinated to securing it.

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At the period of life between fifteen and thirty years of age, most people enjoy their best health. The powers of resistance and the capacity to digest food are greatest at this time. Freedom from illness and the ability to recover promptly from the effects of loss of sleep or of fatigue foster the idea that various violations of the laws of hygiene and nutrition are matters of little importance. Young people over eat of any palatable food and eat at irregular intervals, with so little evidence of any unfavorable effects that they see no reason for giving any thought to habits of right living. But as all persons advanced in years know, this happy freedom from accountability for violation of the laws of health does not last many years in most cases.

Most people past thirty begin to realize that they cannot do certain things without discomfort, which formerly they did not notice. The man of thirty to forty years who is engaged in some occupation which affords little opportunity for exercise in the open air generally becomes aware that his digestion is not so good as it once was, and that he does not have his former energy. For years meat, bread and potatoes have formed the bulk of his diet, other things being secondary and irregular additions. Meat is good and he has eaten it freely and regularly. At first he attributes his failure to dispose of his food as he formerly did solely to lack of exercise, and he begins to walk to his work or at least part of the way, when formerly he rode. His physical condition is on his mind more or less daily, and he talks to an acquaintance with whom he falls into company on his way to work, about how he is walking to keep himself fit. This change does benefit him, but there is still something wrong with his feelings and digestion, and he begins to eat more sparingly. This seems for a time to be all that is necessary to keep him in a state of

Many Lose  
Their Vigor  
too Early



well-being. But his hair grows thinner, until an unmistakable bald spot appears. His skin shows wrinkles. If his ancestors were fat his waist measure increases; if they were thin he grows more shadowy, and if his digestion is more impaired, assumes the mien of the dyspeptic. In either case he thinks daily of his physical condition, and there is a growing tendency for him to keep conscious of the manner in which his digestive apparatus is disposing of its last installment of food. He notices that little things irritate him, which formerly he would not have observed. He would not admit that his health is failing, yet he takes up golf, or cultivates a garden because he feels better as a result. Months or even years may go by with little noticeable change in his condition. Yet the tendency to introspection is there, and at forty-five he seeks additional life insurance, and to his surprise is refused.

He now begins to take notice of the "How to keep well" advice in the newspaper, and peruses the advertisements of books on health. His future course depends in great measure on the kind of literature on diet which he reads. He may try thorough mastication, which someone recommends as a panacea for all ailments due to faulty nutrition. He chews each morsel until his deglutition mechanism automatically snatches it from his control. He announces that this new discovery benefits him greatly, but nevertheless, quietly discontinues the practice after a time.

The Low  
Protein  
Diet

He may learn from his reading that a low protein diet makes for health and efficiency, and that the best method of attaining this end is to abstain from meat. He tries it and feels better for a time, but his appetite gets the better of him and he cannot refrain occasionally from eating meat. He may be over abstemious and actually eat too little food. He comes to

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depend on the frequent use of cathartics for relief from constipation.

There are other systems of diet which men or women in the condition so common in middle life may adopt in seeking relief from discomfort and failing powers. Vegetarianism; the fruit and nut diet; the adoption of whole wheat bread instead of white flour bread; the two meal a day regime; lacto-vegetarianism and sour milk therapy, are examples. All work a change for the better for a time when the subject before had been a hearty meat eater, and had adhered largely to the meat, bread and potato type of diet. Of these lacto-vegetarianism, or the use of a vegetable diet along with milk and eggs is, in the light of modern knowledge, decidedly superior for the promotion of health to any of the others. It is especially good when liberal amounts (as much as a quart a day per person) of milk and of green leafy vegetables are used.

Vegetarian-  
ism and  
Other  
Systems  
of Diet

In order to appreciate how so many different dietary practices may all lead to partial relief from the sense of ill-being which the middle aged person so frequently feels as the result of taking for years a diet not satisfactorily selected and rich in meat, it is necessary to understand the general behavior of the digestive tract, and how faulty habits lead to its debility.

In the intestine of the young infant, when it is in a healthy condition, and is nursed by its mother, there is no putrefaction with the formation of the unwholesome decomposition products of proteins so common in the adult. The sugar of milk is peculiarly suited to serve as the carbohydrate supply in the nutrition of the infant, because it is not fermented readily. Cane sugar leads to gas formation in many cases because it is so readily fermented. Milk sugar encourages the development of a variety of bacteria

## Putrefaction in the Intestine

in the intestine, which forms small amounts of lactic acid. This keeps the condition in the digestive tract acid and tends greatly to keep down the putrefactive organisms. When an infant is fed stale milk, or other food not suited to it, and an attack of indigestion follows, the intestine is usually seeded with bacteria of forms which are dangerous to health. It is then placed in a very disadvantageous position with respect to its nutrition. The diarrheal discharges show by their odor that they are full of foul products. The highly irritating nature of these is apparent from the manner in which the skin of the buttocks is reddened and inflamed by coming into contact with them. It may not be doubted that the irritation of the lining membrane of the intestine, which is more delicate than the skin, is even greater than the latter.

## Injury Due to Intestinal Intoxication

Aside from the injury to the lining membrane of the intestine, the child is burdened with the intoxication which results from absorption of the poisons. When it finally returns to health after such an attack of illness as is caused by dirty milk, is it just as well off physically as if the infection had never happened? There can be but one answer to this question: No. An injury of this kind leaves permanent effects on all the tissues of the body. The intestinal wall is never quite so capable of protecting itself against invasion by bacteria in later life as it would have been if it had never been subjected to the injury. During such attacks the liver and kidneys are bathed with blood which contains poisonous substances, and they are ever afterward a little less capable of performing their vital functions than they would otherwise have been. The results of illness are cumulative, and the oftener illness is repeated the less vigorous will be the body's defensive power. The lowered vitality caused by one infection increases the liability to some other infection. Influenza prepares the body for

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pneumonia. Small-pox does not itself take the life of its victim, but it makes possible the invasion of the tissues by a streptococcus which does. Measles are very frequently followed by infections to which, previous to the attack, the body was immune.

Nearly all children who are not nursed in infancy suffer from one or more attacks of intestinal infections which lay the foundation of ill health in later life. Once the digestive tract of the infant is seeded with pernicious types of organisms by feeding it dirty milk, it never returns to a condition where the intestine is as clean and hygienic as it was before. Failure to nurse infants, and carelessness in feeding them milk which is not clean, lay the foundations of a life in which the period of youth will be short.

Many children both in infancy and childhood are allowed to suffer from constipation more or less regularly. This neglect in many cases lays the foundation of lifelong suffering. Irritation of the intestine always results from long contact with decomposing fecal matter. The habit of emptying the bowel but once a day is regarded by medical men everywhere as an artificially established practice which produces bad effects on health. It schools the intestine to harbor its contents without protest, and destroys its capacity to functionate. The seriousness of this matter will be appreciated by almost everyone from personal experience, and from the knowledge that the habit of taking cathartics is an all but universal practice among adults. Cathartics act because they irritate, and they steadily work damage on the intestine.

Another factor in establishing chronic indigestion and malnutrition is the habit of eating at stated times irrespective of the need of food. The active and the sedentary sit down to eat at the same time, and the interval between meals is adjusted to the needs of the former. The prevalence of double chins and

**The  
Unnaturally  
Fed Child  
Is at a  
Disad-  
vantage**

**Evil  
Effects of  
Constipation**

**Overeating**

triple necks attests the fact that many are eating far more than their actual food requirements. Unfortunately the appetite is not a safe protector, especially when tempted by attractive dishes, and many eat when the digestive tract is not prepared to handle food. The term digestive tract is used intentionally, because of the widespread misapprehension as to the seat of the trouble in indigestion. Discomfort which is referred to the stomach is in most cases the manifestation of abnormal conditions in the intestine.

**Muscular  
Activity  
of the  
Intestine**

When food or drink is taken into the stomach the contractions which are set up in swallowing tend to continue throughout the entire length of the alimentary tract. Immediately after eating is, therefore, a favorable time to reinforce these contractions which tend to grow more feeble as they pass away from the stomach. A conscious effort at this time will generally lead to the large intestine emptying itself. It is possible to train the intestine so as to have a considerable amount of control over it. Nearly everyone ignores this opportunity and allows it to pass. The result is that the intestine is forced to harbor decomposing food residues which keep it in an unhygienic state for many hours longer than is necessary.

**The Overfed  
Stomach**

In a well person there is a prompt response by the stomach with secretion of a digestive juice which is strongly acid when food is taken, even though there was no sense of actual hunger at the beginning of the meal. The response is much less vigorous, however, than it is when there is a genuine desire for food. In the confirmed dyspeptic or the neurasthenic, there may be no such response, and food may lie for a long time in the stomach without digestion, and in a condition favorable to bacterial growth. Gas may be formed and cause discomfort, or the food may after a time be passed on into the intestine, when undergoing bacteriological decomposition. In other



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cases, stomach digestion may be nearly normal, and the growth of bacteria develop only after the partly digested material has reached the lower intestine.

Dr. Alvarez has recently reported very interesting studies which show that in many instances of profuse gas production and its regurgitation, the gas does not form in the stomach, but in the lower intestine. The intestine reverses the direction of its running waves of contraction so as to bring the contents of the lower bowel back toward the stomach. This condition arises when there is an irritating mass in the lower intestine. The regurgitation of gas, and the contents of the intestine causes nausea and belching. Bile is forced from the intestine back into the stomach, and some of it comes up with the gas, causing the bitter taste. This condition is a typical "bilious attack." It is not due to sluggishness of the liver as is popularly supposed, but to an abnormal nervous reaction which reverses the direction in which the intestine moves its contents. Its inciting cause is an unhygienic condition of the intestine.

**Reversed  
Peristaltic  
Action**

During profuse gas formation in the intestine, loops are filled so tightly as to form kinks which prevent its escape, and this results in pain. The tension may reach a point which seriously interferes with the circulation of blood through the intestinal wall. The wall sometimes becomes so inflamed that the outer surface becomes pasty and may adhere to adjacent parts forming permanent adhesions. The surgeon frequently sees such adhesions in his operations. They greatly interfere with the action of the intestine and hurry the patient on toward invalidism.

**Injury  
to the  
Intestine  
by Food  
Decomposition**

The weight of the fecal matter in the intestine is frequently so great as to cause a sagging out of normal position, because the tone of the abused muscles is lost. Prolonged distension of the stomach or intestine sometimes causes permanent dilatation and

partial loss of function. Pressure of the distended stomach on the heart frequently leads people to believe that they have heart trouble.

Chronic indigestion causes the cultivation of the habit of centering the attention of the sufferer on the manner in which his digestive apparatus is disposing of its last meal. All impulses which are transmitted from the brain to the digestive tract have, unfortunately, a tendency to depress its normal muscular activity, and its secretion and absorption. It is a common saying that a well person never knows that he has a heart or a stomach. There are outlying stations of the nervous system called ganglia, whose business it is to take care of the secretion and muscular activity of the alimentary tract automatically, and thinking of one's digestion profoundly interferes with their functioning. It is a grave mistake to keep thinking of how digestion is proceeding, in the fear that some morsel which has been eaten may not agree with one. The wholesome effects of pleasant company during meals helps to keep the brain from interfering with normal digestion.

Effects of  
Contem-  
plating  
Digestive  
Function

Such a habit of self observation often leads one to try to establish which article in his last meal is responsible for his misery. He lays the blame on one and decides that it does not agree with him and avoids it in future. As one attack of indigestion follows another, he gradually eliminates one food after another as dangerous to him. In time he forgets earlier experiences and eats without distress foods which had been under ban, and gradually goes the rounds of condemning a series of perfectly wholesome foods.

The conditions described represent the extremes, but are no more serious than thousands which are regularly observed by the medical profession. Fortunate are they who are protected from infancy from debilitating influences in nutrition and who adhere



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to a type of diet which approximates the optimum, and is of such a character as to discourage over-eating.

There are many adults, however, who have been well brought up, and reach middle life with good vigor, but who fall into the practice of taking too much of their food in the form of meat, bread, potatoes and sugar. These and other articles made from wheat flour, as macaroni, crackers, etc.; other seed products, such as peas, beans, rice and oats, make up altogether too large a share of the total food supply and are not supplemented with a sufficient amount of milk, eggs and the green, leafy vegetables to correct their deficiencies. The result is that while they have enough to eat, its quality is poor, and the blood stream is nearly always more or less impoverished with respect to one or more substances which are indispensable to complete the list necessary for the normal nutrition of the tissues of the body. Animals confined to such diets grow old rapidly even when the diet is of a composition which satisfies the food chemist, but is not so selected as to contain a sufficient amount of the **protective foods**. It seems necessary to interpret the rapid increase in the development of the so-called old age diseases, hardening of the arteries, kidney and heart degeneration, during the last thirty years, as in great measure the outcome of changed dietary habits, whose significance would never have become appreciated but for animal experimentation.

**The Meat,  
Bread and  
Potato Type  
of Diet Is  
Faulty**

Professor Folin of Harvard University has shown in a very interesting way the degree to which by middle life the kidneys of the normal man or woman lose their capacity to perform their function of eliminating the waste products of metabolism into the urine. He has refined methods for the analysis of the normal constituents of the urine, so as to be able

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to determine their amounts in very small samples of the blood. An examination of the amounts of these waste products of the life processes which are circulating in the blood of healthy young medical students, and of a like number of apparently healthy adults of about forty years of age showed that about half of the latter were carrying about thirty per cent more substances in their blood which should have been excreted by the kidneys into the urine. There appears to be in many apparently normal persons, a progressive decrease in the capacity of the kidneys to carry on their work of freeing the blood of waste products. The lesson which we should learn from such facts is the imperative need of taking from infancy up such a diet as will defer the onset of the changes characteristic of aging.

### Importance of Proper Food Habits Throughout Life

While it is never too late to gain by right living, the time to begin to follow the principles laid down by scientific research in nutrition is at birth. Anyone who will adhere to the simple principles now well established as the best way to select the food supply cannot fail to add years of usefulness and happiness to his life. The opportunity of the mother to guide her family along right lines of living is one which she should fully appreciate, and is worthy of her best efforts.

Major McKay has reported extensive observations on the nutrition of the natives of India, which afford a remarkable confirmation of the fact that the principles of diet outlined here are correct, and apply to human nutrition. Among the numerous peoples of India there are found groups who differ most widely in their dietary habits either from force of circumstances or from religious motives. In the crowded districts of Bengal, where there are about nine hundred people to the square mile, the natives are largely grain eaters, rice being the principal cereal. Other

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vegetable food is eaten so far as it is available, and animal food is craved but the supply is inadequate. The physical condition of the Bengalese is almost without exception miserably poor. In the eastern districts of Bengal, where the diet is largely confined to cereals, beans and fish, the physical condition of the natives is better than among the more nearly strict vegetarians. They are, however, still very inferior to the hill tribes of Tibet and other people who keep flocks and herds and use large amounts of milk in addition to vegetable foods and meat. Those who would attribute this difference in development to climate must explain why the Arabs who live so largely on soured milk of camels, mares or cows, have from time immemorial, while living in a climate where in summer the temperature daily reaches a hundred degrees or higher, had both the physical power and the courage to journey over the long and wearying caravan routes of the deserts.

**The Diet  
and Health  
Among the  
Hindus**

While the data furnished by Major McKay is not so complete as is desirable, it points definitely to the conclusion that a cereal and meat diet, even when it furnishes considerable variety, falls short of the value which it would have if dairy products were added in liberal amounts.

It is significant that the reports of British officers to their government on the fitness of the natives of the several parts of India for military service show that the vegetarian Bengalese are regarded as unfit, and they are no longer used for recruiting the native army. The pastoral tribes, who use large amounts of milk regularly in their diet, are commended in the highest terms, as respects their physical fitness, courage and moral standards.

**British  
Experience  
with Indian  
Soldiers**

The children of Bengal are described by McKay as poor, miserable, pot-bellied little creatures with

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little joy in their lives, while the children of the hill tribes are well developed and happy-looking.

### The Diet and Pellagra

Dr. Goldberger and his associates in the U. S. Public Health Service have made elaborate studies of the diets of the people of certain parts of the South where a disease known as pellagra is common. This distressing malady, which was not recognized until 1908, now afflicts about 170,000 people. It seems almost certain that it is a contagious disease, but that faulty diet is the chief predisposing cause. The well fed do not have it. Those who live during the winter on a food supply limited essentially to bolted wheat flour, degerminated corn meal, polished rice, starch, sugar, molasses and fat pork, and take little or no milk or leafy vegetables, furnish the victims of this dreaded disease in the spring when their vitality is low. Such a diet seems to make them susceptible to infection. Good feeding with a diet in which milk, eggs and green vegetables are abundant will cure those who have pellagra in its early stages. An extensive survey of the diets of pellagrous and non-pellagrous households in three villages in North Carolina showed that the greater the extent to which milk entered into the food supply, the less was the incidence of pellagra.

### Better Selection of Food Essential

From the foregoing considerations we may safely conclude that there is a very real need for a better selection of food than is now practiced in many households in America and elsewhere. It is not sufficient that we secure enough protein and energy to cover the body's requirements. There are several factors of great importance for the promotion of vitality and health which may not be left to chance in the planning of the family diet.

The child who is fed a properly constituted diet at every meal-time, every day of its life, will grow up with physical possibilities for future health and

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achievement and happiness greater than one who is left to the haphazard regime so common in the American home. It seems certain that a part of the time the digestion products which reach the blood stream and hence the tissues of the body, fail to supply everything which is needed for its well-being. Outward signs may be long in appearing, but even where the faults of the diet are no more serious than are frequently met with even in the homes of the well-to-do, they will be reflected in later life in lowered vitality, early aging and low resistance to infections such as tuberculosis.

**Outward  
Signs  
of Mal-  
nutrition  
Slow in  
Appearing**



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## CHAPTER IV.

### THE DIETARY PROPERTIES OF THE MORE IMPORTANT AMERICAN FOOD-STUFFS

“Protective  
Foods”  
Necessary

In the preceding chapter it was pointed out that diets may be derived from both animal and vegetable foods, and afford considerable variety, and still fail to induce good nutrition unless they are properly selected. Diets derived solely from wheat flour, corn meal, rice, rolled oats, potatoes, sweet potatoes, radish, turnip, beet, and the lean muscle meats, all taken together, will prove inadequate. It is true that growth may take place on such diets, and apparent health may be enjoyed for a certain period, but they fall short of the optimum quality after which we should strive. Only those diets which contain one, or preferably both, of the **protective foods**, milk and the leafy vegetables, have ever maintained animals in a state of nutrition which promotes vigor and preserves the appearance of youth and sustains longevity. In the present chapter the most important human foods are discussed with respect to their dietary properties, and their special qualities made clear, in order that it may be appreciated why certain combinations of foods make good each others deficiencies.

Wheat

**THE CEREAL GRAINS.** The most important food grain in Europe and America is wheat. Its most important use is as a bread grain, because when mixed with water, wheat flour forms a better dough than can be obtained with flour from rye, barley or buckwheat. The custom of eating as a part of every meal the spongy white bread made from bolted flour has a very strong hold upon us. All will remember the little hardship of giving up white bread for war breads for patriotic reasons.



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The flour which was sold before the war, and to which the millers promptly returned as soon as restrictions were removed, contains about seventy-three per cent of the entire wheat kernel. The parts discarded in milling are used as stock feeds. Bran is the outer layer of the grain. Middlings, or shorts, contain fine particles of bran and some flour which adheres to them through the milling process. The germ of the seed is also separated in milling, but is afterwards mixed with the middlings because there has never been established a market for this very rich fat and protein-containing portion. The white flour which is used as human food is the part of the grain which breaks readily into particles sufficiently fine to pass through bolting cloth. **White Flour**

The modern milling process differs markedly from the old process in use when milling was a local industry, and people who lived in the vicinity of the mill brought their grain and took home the flour. Milling in earlier times consisted in grinding the grains and sifting out the coarse particles of bran, but the modern process is carried out with machinery which does not grind. Instead, the kernels are passed between rollers which break them by impact. This method of breaking the grains does not tear the bran or the germ. Because of the large size of the bran particles, or skin of the kernel, they are easily screened out. The germ consists of a group of cells which in the unbroken seed are capable of developing into a new plantlet. It contains much oil, sugar and protein, and is sufficiently plastic to escape being reduced to fine particles in the process of breaking to which the wheat grain is subjected in the roller mill. Since the germ remains intact it is, like the bran, easily removed from the flour. White flour represents the part of the kernel which is very rich in starch and gluten (protein) and which crushes so readily under **Modern Milling Process**

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the blows of the rollers as to make its particles fine enough to pass through bolting cloth, hence the name bolted flour.

**Proteins  
of the  
Wheat  
Kernel**

There are great differences in the nutritive value of the proteins of the different parts of the wheat kernel. The proteins of the germ are of better quality than those of other parts, but the germ is not suitable for human food because the oil seems to have slightly detrimental properties. Bran is not a good human food because it is too coarse and irritating to the digestive tract. The proteins of bolted flour are among the poorer proteins which enter into the diet of man. This does not constitute a sufficient reason for regarding flour as an inferior food, because when used in proper combinations with other foods the proteins of the flour are supplemented so as to greatly enhance their value.

**White Bread**

Our attachment to light bread made from bolted flour is based on habit. We have been schooled from infancy to the regular use of a light, leavened bread, and the trade has cultivated a demand for perfectly white flour for purely commercial reasons. Whole wheat flour does not make so attractive a loaf as does bolted flour, but there is just as little reason for our basis of judgment as to what is attractive in bread as there is for our standards as to what constitutes beauty in dress. Both are based entirely on custom.

**Bran**

Bran is now widely employed as a remedy for the correction of constipation. Its action depends on its irritating nature, and on the greatly increased bulk which it confers on the residues of food which escape absorption in the intestine. It cannot be denied that much relief is experienced by many persons from taking bran, but the same object can be attained by an extension of the use of such vegetables as spinach, cabbage and other related plants, also turnips, beets, radishes, onions, carrots, etc., and the latter are to

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be recommended rather than bran, because they are less irritating, and possess valuable food properties in addition.

Not only is bolted flour a source of proteins of poor quality, but it is very poor in those mineral elements which are essential constituents of the normal diet. The most important deficiency in this respect, because of its limited content in other foods, is calcium, the principal constituent of lime. Bread falls far short, therefore, of furnishing sufficient mineral salts for the nutrition of the body.

**Quality of  
Proteins of  
Wheat Flour**

Bolted wheat flour is very poor in the substances which protect the body against the three types of deficiency diseases, scurvy, beri-beri and xerophthalmia. The entire wheat kernel contains a sufficient amount of the second one of these, and perhaps enough of the first named, actually to prevent the development of scurvy over a long period, but does not furnish a great margin of safety. Judging from such data as is available the entire kernel falls somewhat short of containing enough of the protective substance without which the eye disease, xerophthalmia develops.

**Bolted Flour  
Poor in the  
Substances  
Which  
Prevent  
"Deficiency  
Diseases"**

Bread is, therefore, a very incomplete food. It is, notwithstanding its shortcomings, a good food provided it is combined with the proper food-stuffs to make it complete, and the statements made to its discredit are not to be construed as a justification for seeking some substitute for it. Wheat is one of our best agricultural crops and we should continue to use it freely, but with a full understanding of what should be eaten with it.

It is logical to ask the question why the poorest part of the wheat kernel is placed on the market as human food. The question has been frequently discussed and usually without a full appreciation of all the factors which are involved. Whole wheat flour

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is superior as a food to bolted flour provided the bread made from it is to be used as the sole food for a considerable period, as has happened and may happen again under conditions approaching famine. This fact is, however, of little importance in ordinary times, when a variety of foods are available, for either kind of flour is incomplete from the dietary standpoint and will not long support health when used alone.

### Reason for Manufact- uring of Bolted Flour

The reason for the manufacture of bolted flour is purely a commercial one. The unbroken wheat kernel can be kept for a long period without undergoing changes which affect its food value, but when it is milled, either by the old grinding process or by the more complex roller mill process, it soon undergoes changes which make it less palatable. The fats in the germ decompose and spoil the flavor, and the presence of the germ in the flour encourages the development of worms and weevils, which render it unfit for human food. This can be strikingly demonstrated by anyone by a simple experiment. If some bolted flour is placed in a container, and some fresh wheat germ in another, and the two are loosely covered and kept in a warm room for a few weeks, the germ will be found to be alive with insects, while the flour will be almost free from them. The insects which infest cereals place their eggs almost entirely in the germ, and this part most closely approximates a complete food for the larvae.

All flour is now milled in a few centers principally near the wheat growing regions. The by-products are used as stock foods in those regions with but short shipping radius. The flour must accordingly be shipped long distances in many cases, and a comparatively long period must elapse between its manufacture and consumption. Up to 1917 the average period between milling and marketing to the consumer was about six months. Some flour is in

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the hands of the dealer for a much longer time, and it is greatly to his advantage to handle a product which can be marketed without commercial hazard. Hence the perfection of milling machinery which effectively separates both germ and bran.

**Bolted  
Flour Keeps  
Well**

There are several competing interests in the milling industry, and their most effective appeal to the housewife is the whiteness of the flour. We naturally associate whiteness with purity in flour, as with garments, walls and furniture; hence arose the practice of bleaching flour which is not naturally as white as was desired. There is no justification for the demand for white flour by the public. It has been created artificially for commercial reasons.

**The  
Whiteness  
of Flour**

It is not easy to prepare so light and attractive a loaf of bread from flour which contains a higher fraction of the entire kernel than the 73 per cent now usually converted into flour. Whole wheat flour has a distinct flavor not possessed by the bolted product, but its use in baking requires special skill which must be acquired.

**White Flour  
Makes  
Lighter  
Loaf**

It is not probable that whole wheat flour will ever become widely used for the reasons just stated. There seems to be no good reason why the use of white flour should be discouraged. The present practice in milling returns over a quarter of the grain to the farm as cattle feed, and avoids danger of loss in the distribution of that part which is used for human consumption. The important fact to be appreciated is not the difference in the food value of whole wheat and ordinary flour, a difference which is decidedly in favor of the former, but that the entire wheat kernel is itself not a complete food. Many of our natural foods are incomplete, even when not manipulated

**Whole  
Wheat  
Flour**



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or changed in any way. The watchword of modern scientific nutrition is proper selection of foods and their consumption in the most desirable combinations.

**Corn Bread** CORN OR MAIZE. This is the second seed grain in importance in the United States. It is very popular in the Southern states as a bread grain and is used more or less widely in other parts of the country. The meal which results from its milling does not make a dough when mixed with water, and therefore a leavened bread cannot be made from it. When properly made corn bread is highly attractive to those who are accustomed to it, but like new foods in general, it does not appeal to those who have not learned to like it. The French and English did not like it during the war when they were forced to use it, but this was in a great measure due to their lack of knowledge of how to use corn.

**The Dietary Properties of Corn** The dietary properties of corn are closely similar to those of wheat. The difference in the appeal to the palate is due entirely to differences in physical properties. Fifty years ago corn, like wheat, was milled by grinding in small local mills, and the resulting meal contained the entire kernel. In order to meet modern commercial demands it has become necessary to produce a meal which will not change flavor with aging, and will not favor the development of weevils in warm weather. This can best be accomplished by the removal of the germ, and accordingly machinery has been perfected which accomplishes this. The germ is sold as hominy feed for stock, and the cornmeal retailed for human consumption is a degerminated product. The oil is extracted from the germ and is used for various technical pur-



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poses and is now sold in retail packages as a salad oil. The proteins and mineral content as well as the energy value of corn meal correspond very closely with the corresponding values for wheat flour.

**THE OAT.** The oat kernel is largely used as a breakfast food, and to a lesser extent for making cookies and for other purposes. It is sold almost exclusively in the form of rolled oats, and differs considerably from wheat and corn in its chemical composition. It contains nearly a third more protein than either of these and about 8 per cent of fat; the content of the latter in corn and wheat being about 2.1 and 5.0 per cent respectively. The quality of the proteins of the oat are about the same as those of the other cereals, and it contains no dietary properties which serve to distinguish it greatly from any of these. Up to very recently it was not found possible to remove the germ from the oat, but the desire to improve its keeping qualities has led to the perfection of a machine which turns the husked kernel end over end on a rough surface, thus etching away the germ which is exposed on one end.

The Oat  
Kernel

**RICE**—This cereal forms the most prominent article of diet of more than half of the human race, but its use is largely confined to Asia and the islands of the Pacific. It has never found great favor in the United States, although it is widely used everywhere as an occasional addition to the bill of fare. We prefer the potato instead of rice as our main starchy food other than wheat bread. Those who are brought up on rice like it better than potatoes or wheat bread.

Rice

In many places where rice is grown it is eaten without polishing, but when it is to be transported it is almost always polished, primarily for the purpose of improving its keeping qualities. This is accomplished by friction of the kernels against each

Unpolished  
Rice

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other. In polishing, the bran layer and the germ are both removed and the grain is made lighter in color. Polished rice is poorer in protein, mineral elements and fat, than any other of the cereal grains.

Brown  
and White  
Rice

Since the dietary deficiencies of polished rice have been pointed out repeatedly in popular literature in recent years, some manufacturers have made an effort to counteract public suspicion of the value of their product in a way which is calculated to deceive. Just as it has become generally known that bolted wheat flour is not so complete as whole wheat, so it has become common knowledge that during polishing some of the valuable parts of the rice kernel are lost. This has attracted much attention because people who eat unpolished rice do not develop the disease beri-beri, while those who live largely on polished rice may do so. In order to offset the suspicions regarding the market product, a so-called **brown rice** has been advertised and substituted for **white rice** on the market.

In order to intensify the whiteness of polished rice it has long been the custom to coat the polished grains with talcum powder. The powder is mixed with a solution of glucose, which causes it to stick to the surface, and after the grains have been moistened with this suspension, they are dried. Rice which has been treated in this way can be readily detected, since the water in which it is washed becomes milky from the suspended talcum powder. This coated product is white rice. It has been both polished and coated. The so-called brown rice is polished rice which has received no further treatment.

Use of  
Polished  
Rice Is  
Rational

There is no reason whatever for whitening rice because it keeps just as well without it, but since it is customary to wash the grains before cooking there is no reason for condemning it. Brown rice has no superiority over white rice, and both have the same dietary properties, and are inferior to the unpolished.

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The latter is not a complete food by itself. The rational policy is to continue the use of polished rice, since there are good reasons why, when it is to enter commerce, with an uncertainty as to when it will be consumed, it should have the highest possible keeping qualities. In those localities where this cereal is grown and sold locally, it would doubtless be best to select the unpolished article. This is 'kewise true for all people who, like many Orientals, live so largely on rice.

**OTHER GRAINS**—Many experimental studies have shown that the cereal grains resemble each other very closely in their dietary properties. Barley and rye closely resemble wheat in that a dough can be made from them, but this property is less pronounced than in wheat because in them the amount of glutinous protein is less. **Barley and Rye**

**BUCKWHEAT**—Buckwheat forms a very sticky dough, and is widely used in Asia, Europe and America, for making griddle cakes. These have a dark and somewhat violet color, and a flavor which has made buckwheat cakes a national dish. It has been frequently observed that persons who have eaten freely of buckwheat developed "buckwheat itch." This is due to the fact that there is a dye in the seed which sensitizes the body to light. Albino animals which have been fed with buckwheat and are subsequently exposed to sunlight die within a short time, while animals which are colored are not affected. The sensitiveness of certain persons to this inconvenience following indulgence in buckwheat cakes is probably due to lack of sufficient pigment in the skin. **Buckwheat**

**PEAS AND BEANS**—These, the legume seeds, enter into the diet of almost all peoples and are palatable and wholesome foods. There can be no doubt, however, in the light of modern nutrition studies, that their dietary value has been greatly over rated. **The Legume Seeds**

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Their chemical composition as shown by analysis revealed a very high protein content. Before the days when it was known that there were great differences in the nutritive values of proteins from different sources, it was natural to suppose that peas and beans were in all essential respects the equivalent of meats as sources of protein. It was only discovered through experiments on animals which were restricted to one or the other of these seeds as their sole source of protein, that the proteins of both are very inferior to those of meat. It is fallacious to regard beans as "the poor man's meat."

### The Navy Bean

The navy bean contains a considerable amount of certain peculiar carbohydrates which are not digestible, but which readily undergo bacterial decomposition in the digestive tract, with the formation of much gas. As a result they tend to cause flatulence. Peas are not so subject to this type of fermentation.

Beans and peas, while attractive in flavor to a certain extent, fall far short of the palatability of meats. In fact beans are usually cooked with meat to add to their acceptability. These facts are mentioned, not for the purpose of discouraging the use of peas and beans, but to make it clear that their place in the diet is distinctly a subordinate one. Used in moderation they form a valuable addition to the food supply, and help to afford that variety which the palate of civilized man demands. With advancing knowledge they have, however, lost their once proud position of foods of extraordinary value.

### The Potato

THE POTATO. This is in some respects unique as a vegetable food-stuff. It is nearly without flavor, and lends itself to consumption with other things such as butter, cream or milk, salt and pepper or with fat. The appetite of man calls for fat and there are certain foods which are eaten principally as a vehicle for carrying fat. The potato stands first in impor-

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tance among these. Some writers have attributed much greater nutritive value to the potato than experimental studies on animals seem to justify. It is one of our most prolific food crops, and will always remain one of our most important energy foods. It is indeed remarkable how regularly we accept the potato in one form or another, in contrast to the ease with which we surfeit on other similar vegetables such as turnip or beet or carrot, when these appear on the table daily for a time. We can eat much more liberally of the potato than any of these, and never tire of it as a daily article of diet. The lack of taste and individuality of the potato, which makes it possible to confer palatability on it in several ways, seems to be the explanation for this.

**THE DASHEEN.** This is a new vegetable which bids fair to take the place of the potato to some extent in some parts of the country. It is a large corm or bulb of a plant which grows well in some parts of the South, producing a large yield. It possesses a mild but distinctive flavor, and is served in essentially the same ways as the potato. Its dietary value is not essentially different from the latter. The Department of Agriculture has great expectations of this new food plant, and these seem to be well founded.

**The Dasheen**

**THE SWEET POTATO.** This root has found great favor in the warmer parts of the temperate zone. It contains much sugar as well as starch and is a most excellent food which remains acceptable daily for long periods. Its place in the diet is essentially the same as that of the white potato, i. e., it is a vehicle for fat and a source of energy because of its high content of starch and sugar.

**The Sweet  
Potato**

**THE EDIBLE ROOTS.** The most important edible roots other than the sweet potato in the temperate zones are the carrot, beet, turnip, and radish. These all deserve to be introduced into the diet more



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**Radish  
Turnip  
and Beet**

frequently than they now are. They, like the leafy vegetables, are the best correctives for constipation, since they affect the eliminative function of the intestine by modifying the residues so as to make them bulky and rich in water, but do not have irritating effects, as do bran or figs or berries which contain seeds in large numbers. This peculiar laxative effect is due to their high content of indigestible fibre, and its water-holding power. The edible roots appear to have no special dietary properties which distinguish them, or give them any special role to perform, except that mentioned, and their appetizing qualities, when not used too monotonously. Most people will tire of any one of them if they appear daily in the diet for a considerable time, but when they appear as a novelty after an absence of a short time they are greatly relished. The rotation of these in the menus of those months when they are in season will tend to discourage the tendency toward over-eating of the more concentrated foods.

All of the above described food-stuffs have in the plant world the same functions to perform. They are all storage tissues of plants, and contain somewhere within them areas which are capable of growing into new plantlets under favorable conditions of temperature and moisture. The seeds grow from the germ; the potato from the "eyes," and the fleshy roots from an area at the crown. Since the plantlet requires a food supply until it can develop a root system and leaves and become independent, the parent plant provides this in the stored material within the seed, tuber or root. Man takes advantage of these concentrated packages of food materials, and appropriates them for his food supply and for the feeding of his animals.

Systematic studies have clearly shown that all of these plant parts which are store-houses for food for



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the little plants have certain shortcomings in common from the standpoint of animal and human nutrition. It is interesting to note that although there are very wide variations in the chemical composition, some, as the pea and bean, containing much protein and little digestible carbohydrate, while others such as the potato, contain much starch and but little protein, the dietary properties of all show striking similarities. They all contain too little of the element calcium, or lime, to meet the needs of a growing animal, and probably also of the adult. With few exceptions they are too poor in the peculiar substance which gives butter fat its special dietary properties, and without which a deficiency disease especially affecting the eyes will develop. In addition, the quality of their proteins is poor, and in a general way their proteins seem to have certain defects in common, so that when foods of this class are used together they do not greatly enhance each other's values. There are some exceptions to this rule, for some combinations within this group of storage tissue foods have distinctly better proteins than either constituent of the mixture when fed alone.

**The Storage  
Tissues of  
Plants**

**FRUITS.** Fruits and nuts are the most appetizing of the vegetable foods. The fruits such as the apple, pear, peach, plum and the various berries and citrus fruits are so rich in water that they have but little value as sources of energy (starch, sugar, protein, fats). They all contain certain salts of organic acids which have more or less stimulating action on the kidneys, and some of them have a laxative effect. This is augmented by the indigestible marc or structural tissues which, like the fibrous structures of certain other vegetable foods, tends to retain water in the intestine and produce physical properties in its contents which render them more easily eliminable.

**The Fruits  
Have  
Special  
Value**

The fruits, and those vegetables which can be

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**Some Raw  
Foods  
Necessary** eaten raw, have a special and very important role in nutrition, as a protection against scurvy. They are therefore more than simply well flavored foods which add to the joy of eating. They have an important place in the nutrition of man and should be used in moderate amounts regularly, notwithstanding their relatively high cost. They contain nothing which disturbs digestion when eaten in the raw state, whereas all foods which contain much starch are more or less indigestible for man unless cooked.

**The Tomato  
Prevents  
Scurvy** **THE TOMATO.** This deserves special mention because of its great popularity as a constituent of salads, as well as a source of flavor in soups, spaghetti, etc., and in the form of ketchup. It is a water-rich substance and does not furnish much actual food value, but is remarkable as a condimental food. The tomato appears to occupy a unique position among vegetable foods in that the substance which protects against scurvy, and which it contains in relative abundance, is not so easily destroyed in heating or drying as it is in most other foods. Because it is much cheaper than orange juice, Dr. Hess recommends tomato juice in small amounts as a means of preventing scurvy in infants which are fed on pasteurized milk. It is reported that a small quantity of canned tomato will allay thirst for a time as effectively as fifteen times its volume of water. It was used for this purpose during the late war when the men were in positions where water could not be supplied regularly.

**BANANAS.** The banana, owing to its relative cheapness during a large part of the year, is a good fruit, and should be made use of in salads, or eaten as the appetite calls for it at any meal. Some find difficulty in digesting it unless it is fully ripe, for in the green and semi-ripe condition it contains considerable amounts of raw starch. Over ripe bananas do not

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have so good a flavor as they do a little earlier in the ripening stage. They are free from bacteria when not invaded by organisms in the fruit as it begins to spoil, and may safely be given to children to satisfy their hunger when they request food between meals.

**Bananas  
a Good  
Raw Food**

**THE LEAFY VEGETABLES.** Modern nutrition studies have revealed the unsuspected fact that the leaf of the plant possesses dietary properties which chemical analysis does not reveal, and this class of vegetable foods have assumed a new and unique place in the human diet. Certain leaves form a complete food supply for such types of animals as have sufficiently capacious digestive tracts to enable them to eat a large quantity of bulky food. The omnivorous animals cannot thrive solely on leafy foods because they cannot eat enough of them. Nevertheless the liberal consumption of leafy vegetables serves to correct the deficiencies of the group of foods which have the function of storage organs in plants, and make it possible for man to do fairly well on a strictly vegetarian diet, at least for a considerable period. The importance of leafy vegetables as supplements to the cereals, peas, beans, tubers and edible roots is so great that one or another of those which are acceptable to the human palate should enter into the diet every day in some form.

**Leafy  
Vegetables  
Are  
Protective  
Foods**

The most important of the leafy vegetables which have sufficiently mild flavors to make them suitable for consumption by man are spinach, lettuce, cabbage, chard, cauliflower, Brussels sprouts, collards, kale, turnip and beet tops, dandelion, water cress, lambs-quarter, rape, and a few others. The onion bulb is a mass of thickened leaves. Their special virtues lie in the desirable composition of their mineral content; in their richness in the three substances which protect against the deficiency diseases (See p. . .); in the way in which they supplement the deficiencies of

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Flavored  
Leaves**

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the proteins of other vegetable foods, and in their corrective effects on constipation. They are especially rich in iron, and in this particular respect take the place of the red meats.

Leafy  
Foods  
Supplement  
Seeds,  
Tubers,  
Roots,  
and Meats

When an animal is fed exclusively for a few weeks or months on a diet derived entirely from cereals, peas, beans, tubers, roots and muscle cuts of meat, and has been brought to a very poor state of nutrition by this faulty diet, the prompt and marked improvement in its condition which can be brought about by the addition of a liberal amount of such a leaf as celery tops, spinach or turnip tops, to the diet is unbelievable unless it is witnessed. It is unfortunate that these leafy foods are not so highly attractive and palatable as to make their consumption in liberal amounts pleasurable to the average American. This is largely due to the fact that they have been used so sparingly in this country that the habit of eating them has never been formed to any great extent. To many people in the South, where the use of turnip greens is very common, they are highly relished, and form a veritable treat to those who have been for some time without them. One of the most important lessons which has been taught by scientific nutrition studies is the need of developing a liking for and a great increase in the consumption of this class of vegetables in the American family. Every conscientious mother should see to it that her children learn to like them in early childhood, and that they find a regular place in the diet as the children grow up.

Chinese  
Cabbage  
Better Than  
the Ordinary  
Kind

CHINESE CABBAGE is a variety which is much superior to the ordinary variety with which we are familiar. It has been introduced into this country by the Bureau of Plant Industry of the Department of Agriculture, and will doubtless eventually come

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into greater favor than the common kind. It is much more delicate in texture and flavor than ordinary cabbage, and makes a truly delicious salad plant.

STRING BEANS AND ASPARAGUS are two delicious vegetable foods which almost everyone likes and which possess much the same dietary properties as leaves. While the bean is immature, and the pod consists of living tissues actively engaged in the formation of the seeds, its quality as a food differs decidedly from the seeds after they have become mature and are eaten shelled. The use of beans in this stage of growth should become more common. They may be boiled and buttered, or creamed, or used as a constituent of salads. The tender rapidly growing tips of asparagus are rich in actively functioning cells, and resemble thick leaves in their dietary properties.

In China, Japan and other Oriental countries where there is no dairy industry, the practice of eating large amounts of leafy vegetables is universal. The leaves of the sweet potato plant, the petals of the lily and bamboo sprouts are eaten as staple articles of diet, along with numerous other leafy structures of plants. The good physical development of certain groups of Chinese appears to be attributable in great measure to this peculiarity in their eating habits. The consumption of green vegetables is the outstanding feature of their diet. These possess special qualities which differentiate them sharply from all other products of the garden and we should greatly extend their use.

Thick leaves such as those of the cabbage are not only structures which contain living cells in relative abundance, but they are modified as storage tissues as well and contain a large amount of starch and sugars. These tend to dilute the leaf quality, and

**Immature  
Pods  
and Growing  
Tips Have  
Dietary  
Properties  
of Leaves**

**Orientals  
Eat Much  
Leafy Food**

**Thick Leaves  
Not So  
Good as  
Thin Ones**



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renders the thick leaf less pronounced in its leaf quality from the dietary standpoint than the thin leaves such as spinach, turnip tops, etc.

### Dietary Practices of Eskimo

MEATS. There is nothing so attractive to the appetite of man as certain of the meats to which he has become accustomed. All races are fond of meats, and all eat animal tissues when they can be had, except a few religious devotees, most prominent among whom are the Buddhists. There are great variations among different races and individuals in their ideas as to what parts of the carcass of an animal are fit for food. The Eskimo likes blood as well as all of the internal organs, and because of the stimulation of his appetite by extreme cold, is able to eat large quantities of fat without anything with it to render its consumption easier. While the natives of the tropics and temperate regions of the world like fat, they always like to eat it with a carrier such as potato, sweet potato, cabbage, etc., to conceal it.

### The Carnivorous Animal

The carnivorous animals like the internal organs and blood better than they do muscle tissue, while the reverse is true of civilized man, who takes his meat with a varied vegetable diet. When a rat or weasel makes a raid on a chicken coop it kills indiscriminately, and far beyond its needs for food. It cuts the throats of the birds and sucks blood as its first choice. Later it opens the body cavity and eats of the internal organs, or the brain cavity and eats nervous tissue. It is remarkable that civilized man should from choice limit himself largely to the cuts of meat which are derived from muscles. Steaks, ham and roast are distinctly his favorites, but whether solely from habit it is difficult to say. Liver is not valued highly, and only the choicest article from young animals is used when the appetite only need be consulted. Kidney stew is acceptable only occasion-



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ally and many will not eat it at all. It has not been found possible by the meat packers to educate the public to eat the glandular organs to any great extent when they can afford muscle cuts of meat. It cannot be because civilized man does not like highly flavored foods, for he eats his food with pepper, horseradish, ketchups, salad dressings, strong sauces, sage, strongly flavored cheeses, acid foods such as pickled vegetables, and has an inordinate fondness for sweets. He does not in general like the strongly flavored animal organs. These illustrations of the varying habits and likings of man under different living conditions serve to emphasize the uncertainty of the appetite as a guide to the proper selection of food.

**Civilized  
Man Does  
Not Like  
Internal  
Organs**

It is not desirable to dispense with meats in the diet, for they fulfill a psychic requirement from which we cannot free ourselves. It is sound policy to eat foods which taste good, for taste and the enjoyment of food are indispensable to efficient digestion. Excessive meat eating certainly has, however, a damaging effect on the body. It is easily possible to arrange diets free from meat which will induce good nutrition, but very moderate amounts of meat certainly do no harm. Since the maintenance of an animal industry is a necessary factor in a successful system of agriculture, we shall always have a meat supply which should be used judiciously in the diet. It is agreed by all competent to judge that the consumption of meat by the average American household is excessive. High meat consumption is generally responsible for high protein consumption, and the abuse of meat has been the most important cause for the spread of the belief that man is better nourished and will be more efficient if he takes a diet low in protein. Many people feel better when they stop eating meat, but this

**Consump-  
tion  
of Meats Is  
Excessive**

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is due not so much to the fact that a proper amount of meat is bad, as to the inability of many to stop eating when they have had enough when meat forms a principal article of diet, because of its appeal to the appetite.

**Meats Favor  
Putrefaction  
in the  
Intestine**

It has been pointed out in the preceding chapter that the excessive growth of putrefactive bacteria in the large intestine is attended with disastrous results owing to the toxic nature of the products which they form. These exert an irritating action on the lining of the intestine, and burden the liver and kidneys with their destruction and excretion. Among all the protein-rich foods there is none which encourages the growth of these pernicious organisms so much as meat. Thousands of persons past middle age, who have had time to become debilitated by faulty nutrition, testify to the relief from discomfort and increased efficiency which they experience as the result of partially or wholly eliminating meat from the diet.

**Meat Should  
Be Eaten  
Sparingly**

Although meat can safely be entirely dispensed with, provided the individual is willing to forego the satisfaction of eating it, the semi-invalid has not infrequently subjected himself to a dietary regime so monotonous and faulty as to hasten his demise. The cause of malnutrition is usually a complex one, and cannot in general be correctly attributed to one or another food, such as meat, which in too liberal amounts produces conditions in the alimentary tract which are unfavorable to health and comfort. The sanest view seems to be to reduce the meat consumption to the lowest level consistent with securing the degree of palatability which is demanded by the average person, by reason of habits developed by our present mode of life. But this by itself is not enough. The diet must be selected so as to be complete, and to promote well-being.

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Meats contain proteins of high value in nutrition. In other respects, however, they cannot be regarded as in any sense food of unusual merit. The mineral content is deficient in the same general way as that of the cereals, tubers and roots. It is especially poor in lime, but is unusually rich in phosphorus and iron, both of which are not very abundant in most grains or other storage tissues of plants. Muscle tissue contains but little of any of the three substances which are concerned with the prevention of the deficiency diseases, a fact which is rather surprising, but which is well established by experiments on animals.

**Meats  
Deficient  
in Lime**

Meats contain excessive amounts of acid-forming elements, and need to be properly combined with foods rich in bases of mineral nature to give best results in nutrition. Meats do not correct the deficiencies of a diet composed otherwise of seeds, tubers and roots, except in the improvement in the quality of the protein. It is easy to correct all of these deficiencies by the liberal use of milk and green leafy vegetables, but the latter do not add to the attractiveness of the diet in palatability as do meats.

**Meats Are  
Acid  
Formers**

**MILK.** From time immemorial the milk of cows, camels, buffaloes, goats, sheep and mares has been used throughout eastern Europe and parts of Asia as an important article of the diet of man. Modern nutrition studies have shown that milk is the one food for which there is no effective substitute. Its use has extended over western Europe and North America, and to most countries which have been settled by European peoples.

**There Is No  
Substitute  
for Milk**

In Europe and America, milk is ordinarily used fresh either as a beverage or in cookery, or frozen with the addition of other substances as ice cream. No pronounced bacterial changes are allowed to take place in it before use. Much is used for the manu-

**Use of Milk  
in America  
and Europe**

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facture of butter, cream and cheese. The skim milk is generally used as food for calves and hogs, but much is thrown away. When cheese is manufactured the whey is usually poured into the gutter, but some is fed to pigs. The Laplander eats large amounts of reindeer milk, which is frozen in skins, and kept throughout the winter.

### Fermented Milks

The inhabitants of the steppes of European Russia, and the plains of south, western and central Asia collect the milk of mares, and to a lesser extent that of cows, and add to it in skin bottles or in tubs, a portion of old, sour milk and some water and allow it to ferment. The fermentation is a mixed one and leads to the formation of much lactic acid which causes the sourness, but a considerable amount of alcohol is likewise formed. The curd is broken up by vigorous agitation and is allowed to stand several days before use. This product is known as koumiss. When cows' milk is used for this purpose it is first skimmed. Kephir is another kind of fermented product made from the milk of cows, goats and sheep, and is used universally in the Caucasus. It contains both lactic acid and alcohol. A similar product, matzoon, is made in Armenia. In India, in those parts suited to stock raising, a fermented milk known as dadhi is widely used, and a similar product, leben, forms an important article of diet with the Arabs, and was used by the Egyptians and Carthaginians from remote antiquity.

### The Sour Milk Organism

Metchnikoff, the famous Russian bacteriologist, first pointed out that there were in his days a remarkable number of centenarians among the people of Servia, Bulgaria and Roumania, and he sought to discover the secret of the long life of many of these people. He found that they live largely on a soured milk which they call yoghourt, and he came to the conclusion that the regular use of milk soured by a

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special race of lactic-acid-forming bacteria to which he gave the name **bacillus Bulgaricus**, was in great measure responsible for their health and longevity. He explained this on the theory that the putrefactive decomposition of proteins in the intestine causes injury to the body because of the poisonous nature of the products formed and absorbed, and that the presence of the organism which sours milk leads to the constant formation of a mild acidity in the intestine which is unfavorable to the growth of the more harmful forms which thrive in its absence.

BACILLUS BULGARIOUS is a special race of milk-souring organism which produces a greater amount of acid than the more common ones; hence the assumption that it produces a more effective sour milk than milks which sour spontaneously everywhere. Metchnikoff held that the organism had special vitality and could be made to establish itself in the intestine as a more or less persistent inhabitant. This view is not supported by the many studies which have been made by later observers.

There has been much discussion and difference of opinion as to the importance of the lactic acid bacillus as a protector against the loss of youthful characteristics in man. There can be no doubt that pastoral peoples generally possess excellent physical development, and enjoy relative freedom from certain ailments common among peoples who live on diets of widely different natures. It seems, in the light of what we now know of the peculiar dietary properties of milk, wholly aside from the presence or absence of any special type of bacteria in it, that the excellent health of the aged natives of the Balkan states, as well as of other peoples who live largely on milk products, is the result of their regular consumption of a most excellent food supply, and not to the presence of the bacteria which it may contain. It can-

Sour Milk  
and Long  
Life



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not be denied that the lactic acid fermentation of milk may be a factor of some importance, but this is secondary rather than primary.

**Milk a  
Complete  
Food**

It is a fact too well known to need comment, that milk is a complete food for a young, growing animal, and that for a certain period after birth, a period which varies with the species, no other food can take its place without disaster. It is not so well known that milk is a food of exceptional value for the adult, although a few medical men have fully appreciated this fact. Dr. Weir Mitchell many years ago had remarkable success in the treatment of patients suffering from neurasthenia, by keeping them in bed confined to a diet which was principally milk. It is of unusual interest to note that Harvey, the discoverer of the circulation of the blood, in reporting on his autopsy of Thomas Parr, who is stated to have lived to the age of 153 years, says that his diet until just before his death when he was invited to the court of King Charles in 1635, consisted of sub-rancid cheese, and milk in every form, coarse bread and small drink, generally sour whey.

**Is Deficient  
Only in  
Iron**

Milk contains all the elements and compounds which are essential for the nutrition of the body, and is especially rich in everything that is necessary to supplement the deficiencies of the ordinary cereal, tuber and root products which form so large a part of the diet of civilized man. It is deficient only in iron. Its fat is the best source of the unidentified substance which protects against the deficiency disease involving the eyes. This substance is not found in any vegetable fats or oils, and aside from butter fat is abundant only in egg yolk among our common food-stuffs. The glandular organs and the leaves of plants contain it in greater amounts than do any of the foods whose function is that of storage tissues



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of plants. Fresh, unheated milk contains the substance which is protective against scurvy, but this is nearly all destroyed during pasteurization or boiling. The substance which protects against beri-beri is fairly abundant in milk and is not destroyed by ordinary cooking. The proteins of milk are of very high quality.

**Milk  
Supplements  
Other Foods**

Milk is therefore so constituted as to make an ideal food for supplementing the ordinary vegetable foods which should form a considerable part of our diet. It corrects the deficiencies of these in a remarkable way. In order to obtain best results, however, it is best to use with the ordinary vegetable foods, but a small amount of meat, a quart of milk a day for each member of the family, and as much of one or another of the green leafy vegetables as the appetite will permit. The sugar of milk promotes, when such a diet is taken, the growth of a very favorable bacterial flora in the intestine.

SKIM MILK is ordinarily looked upon as of little value, but as a matter of fact it is worth more than the cream from the standpoint of nutrition. The more extended use of skim milk in bread making, in cookery and as a sour milk beverage as is so common in Eastern Europe would be an important step in the direction of securing better nutrition for the nation.

BUTTER MILK is milk from which the fat has been removed and from which the sugar has been used up by lactic acid fermentation in the souring process. It is the milk which accompanies the fats as they are removed in the form of cream. Since it is milk less two of its constituents, fat and sugar, its dietary properties can be readily understood. It is not the equivalent of whole milk, but is a valuable addition to the diet, both from the standpoint of the addition of nutrients and for its appetizing quality.

**Composition  
of Butter  
Milk**

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Special  
Value of  
Butter and  
Egg Yolk  
Fats

BUTTER consists of the fat of the milk plus about twelve per cent of the constituents of milk not fat. It has the same energy or fuel value as have other fats of either animal or vegetable origin, but is greatly superior to any of those ordinarily used as food except the fats of egg yolk. It occupies a unique place in the diet of man as the principal source of a protective substance, the lack of which leads to a peculiar pathological condition of the eyes. Butter is not the equivalent of milk from the dietary standpoint.

Cheese Is a  
Condimental  
Food

CHEESE made from whole milk contains most of the protein and fat and a large part of the lime of the milk from which it was made. It represents whole milk less the greater amount of its sugar, salts and a part of its protein. Cheese more nearly represents whole milk in its dietary value in respect to just those factors which are desirable for the improvement of vegetable foods, than does any other manufactured product of milk. It is, however, essentially a condimental food, and should not be eaten too freely for various reasons. It is an extremely concentrated food and may induce indigestion if taken in liberal amounts. Its bacteriological condition is frequently decidedly undesirable in that there are present large numbers of spores of putrefactive bacteria, which it is not well to introduce into the digestive tract unless it is in a very vigorous condition, and unless there are taken such other foods as tend to make an environment in the intestine which is unfavorable to their growth. The high degree of palatability of cheeses, especially the mild ones, makes their inclusion in the diet as an occasional constituent desirable. A liking for strong cheeses, which are actually in a state of putrefaction, must be acquired, and is the parallel of the liking for tainted meats which is seen in some people. There are sound physiolog-

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ical reasons against their use. Probably the best way to use cheese, especially for those whose digestion is not vigorous, is with macaroni or in a cream sauce, where it is heated before use, or toasted on crackers.

ICE CREAM is one of the most attractive forms in which to serve milk, as well as one of the simplest from the standpoint of labor. Flavored and sweetened as it is, it has found great favor in the American home because of its palatability. The commercial ice cream business has reached enormous proportions, and the tendency seems to be growing to purchase it from a dealer instead of freezing it in the home because of the trouble attending its preparation. It is easy to learn to operate an ice cream freezer and where fruits are available and cheap as they are on farms or in small villages these as well as milk and cream can be served in this most attractive form and with little expense.

Frozen  
Desserts  
Should Be  
Used  
Frequently

While there are doubtless many ice cream manufacturers who maintain high standards, some have abused the confidence of their customers by re-freezing and selling cream which has been left over, and melted. Sometimes stale milk which is not in good bacteriological condition is worked off in the frozen condition, masked by flavors and sweetening. When the ice cream mixture is frozen it "swells," or increases greatly in volume. This is advantageous up to a certain point for a heavy ice cream is not so good, and an amount which is taken at one time into the mouth would be too cold to be eaten in comfort. This difficulty is obviated by extending the lightness of the product by stirring air into it so that a spoonful contains only about half as much substance as it appears to contain. The swelling of ice cream during freezing is not to be regarded as unfair to the purchaser so long as the increase in volume is secured only for the purpose of making the product more pal-

Beware of  
Poor Ice  
Cream

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**Increase in  
Volume  
During  
Freezing** atable, and of a more pleasing texture than it would be if it were more solid. Among unscrupulous dealers it sometimes happens, however, that the volume is made just as large as possible in order to make possible the sale of more quarts of cream from a given amount of materials. This constitutes a method of securing excessive profits on a food product.

**Fat Content  
of Ice  
Cream** The fat content of ice cream varies greatly, and there is need of more uniform standards of composition. The best creams may contain as much as eighteen per cent of butter fat. Perhaps more than half of the commercial ice cream does not contain more than half this amount, and some samples of "hokey-pokey" ice creams which are sold to children in the poorer sections of cities have shown, on analysis, only two to four per cent of butter fat. Occasionally vegetable fats are put in instead of milk fat. This is adulteration.

**Use of  
"Fillers"** Cheap ice creams often contain large amounts of "fillers," consisting of cheaper materials such as corn-starch or skim milk. Fortunately skim milk is the most common of these, and as has been stated, this part of the milk has a greater food value than the cream, although its palatability is lower.

Within certain limits the intelligent adult will recognize quality in ice cream, and would not continue to purchase from a dealer whose product is too fluffy, but there should be carefully regulated standards for the amount of "swell" which is permitted. This is necessary for the protection of children especially.

**Gelatin and  
Gums  
Frequently  
Used** The use of small amounts of gelatin or of gums to improve the texture of ice cream is not necessary, where skill is employed in manufacture. Their use cannot be regarded as objectionable within ordinary limits. Gelatin is a food but cannot be used in very large amounts in ice cream without making it too stiff.

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The attractiveness of ice cream is so great that the poor children in large cities buy it in cones to a large extent rather than candy. This is probably responsible, in many cases, for the preservation of life in the case of children from homes where the diet consists of little more than bread, meat and tea or coffee. To be sure, in such homes the money could be much better spent for milk, since it would be cheaper, and for the same price, more could be purchased, and the children's diet improved in greater degree. As a rule, however, no milk would be bought by such people because it does not appeal so strongly to the appetite, and the money is better spent for ice cream, liberally "filled" with skim milk, than for more bread or meat. The casual purchase of ice cream by poor children is therefore a matter of much greater importance than it might at first thought appear to be.

**The Ice  
Cream Cone  
Purchased  
by Poor  
Children**

When ice cream is purchased, care should be taken to patronize the best manufacturers. By appreciating their high standards, and showing that appreciation, the abuses in the industry will be eliminated. The health department in every city should be able to advise the woman in the home concerning the most satisfactory dealers. It cannot be too often repeated that there is in every city an organization under the control of medical men and bacteriologists and chemists who are doing what they can to safe-guard the public interests in inspecting foods and market conditions. The public should appreciate them and aid them in their work, and in turn be aided by them.

**Consult  
the Health  
Department**

OLEOMARGARINE is made from various animal and vegetable fats and is sold as a substitute for butter. It has become widely used because of its lower cost as compared with butter. It cannot be denied that vegetable and animal fats have a dietary value and are wholesome foods. They lack the pe-



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culiar quality found in milk fats (butter) and egg yolk fats, however, and are not in every sense substitutes for butter.

### Butter Substitutes

Since any diet which is derived solely from seed products, tubers and meat, or other foods having the same dietary properties, will be deficient in at least two respects, and the same type of diet without meat will be deficient in three respects, it requires something more than butter to correct them. For this reason we advise the use of milk in liberal amounts. It is immaterial whether the milk be separated into its constituents and used as skim milk in cookery, cream, butter, cheese, etc., or as whole milk as a beverage. The important point is to secure the consumption of a sufficient amount of all the constituents of milk. When this is accomplished in one way or another, it matters little what kind of fat one spreads on his bread.

### Dietary Properties of the Egg

EGGS contain everything which the body needs for its development, but nevertheless need to be properly combined with other foods. Like milk and the leafy vegetables eggs are to be regarded as additions to the cereal, tuber and root portion of the food supply to improve its quality. They are to be classed with the protective foods, but lack two qualities of importance for which milk is remarkable. The portion of the egg after the shell is discarded, is not so rich in lime as it should be to supplement bread, cereals, potato, etc., and the egg favors the growth of putrefactive bacteria in the intestine in much the same way as does meat. The special role of milk in depressing these organisms is due to the milk sugar, which enables fermentative organisms to grow and keep down the more harmful rotting types. The fats of the egg have essentially the same dietary value as butter fat, and they are superior to vegetable fats or to the body fats of animals, such as lard, tallow, etc.



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Eggs are especially attractive both in appearance and flavor. Most persons will tire of them if served too frequently, but they have become so expensive that there is little danger of this in the average home. Where it is desired to practice economy, it is not wise to serve eggs directly, but to make use of them in the preparation of cakes and custards, or in ice cream, etc. In such forms they go further toward adding attractiveness to the diet than when served fried, boiled, poached, etc. They are especially attractive as a garnish for salads or spinach.

**Should be  
Used in  
Preparing  
Desserts**

SUGAR was not used extensively until the last century. Before that time honey and manna were highly prized. Crude sugar had been manufactured in India from times of great antiquity, and the American Indians made maple sugar before the discovery of America. According to statistics a century ago the consumption of sugar in the United States was only about 11 pounds per person per year, but its use has increased very rapidly and has reached the remarkable figure of 86 pounds per person per year. This amount is certainly excessive. There are many persons who have developed an abnormal craving for sweets, which doubtless is reflected in poor nutrition. Sugar contains no mineral matter and is solely useful as a source of energy for keeping the body warm and for supplying energy for muscular work.

**Too Much  
Sugar Being  
Eaten**

Cane sugar is somewhat irritating to the digestive tract, and easily undergoes fermentation when the digestion is impaired, with the formation of gas. It is a valuable food when used in moderation, but the use of sugar and syrups in cookery and in the form of candies has gone beyond the bounds of reason or physiological justification. In particular, the craving for sweet foods leads to failure to appreciate the natural flavors of the ordinary wholesome foods, and incapacitates one for making a wise choice of food.

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While it is not wise to discontinue the use of sugar, it should be emphasized that the demand for sweet foods is an artificially acquired taste, and is almost as pernicious as the craving for alcohol.

### Effects of Tea and Coffee

TEA AND COFFEE. These beverages, now so universally used in many countries, have a remarkable stimulating effect on the brain. They increase the reasoning power and the imagination. When taken by those who are not accustomed to their use they produce wakefulness. They are habit-forming beverages because of the alkaloid caffeine which they contain. They change the nature of the heart beat, and stimulate the action of the kidneys.

There has been much discussion as to the effects of the use of tea and coffee over a long period, but little definite can be said concerning them. In children they certainly contribute to instability of the nervous system, and their use during the growing period is universally condemned. Many persons become so habituated to their use that the omission of the customary dose leads to discomfort. Probably their use to this extent does some damage in the long run. When used very weak they furnish a hot drink which most adults enjoy, and when not used to excess their use probably gives sufficient satisfaction to counterbalance their slight detrimental effects.

For those who engage in mental work, the wisest policy would seem to be to refrain from acquiring the habit of regular coffee or tea drinking, and thereby preserve the sensitiveness of the nervous system for them, so that when one or another is taken on special occasions, a period of several hours of unusual intellectual clearness may be secured. Those who are inclined to nervousness would probably do well never to form the habit of drinking either, since their use tends to increase irritability.

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### CHAPTER V.

#### DANGEROUS FOODS AND THE CARE OF FOOD IN THE HOME

**DANGEROUS FOODS.** Cases of food poisoning are frequently reported in the newspapers, but there is much reason to believe that they occur much oftener than they are reported, for mild cases naturally do not attract attention. Some foods are dangerous because they contain poisons, but the great majority of cases of poisoning by foods is the result of bacterial growth, or of the presence of bacteria which can infect man and cause illness. Everyone should be familiar with the fact that it is not safe to eat certain foods, and also with the danger which may result from failure to care for food properly in the home.

**Food  
Poisoning  
Is Common.**

Among the foods which are more or less commonly eaten by man, but which frequently cause illness or death, the mushrooms deserve first consideration. There are a number of varieties which closely resemble the edible species, and which are sometimes mistaken for them, which contain deadly poisons. No general directions can be given for distinguishing the safe from the unsafe kinds, for the features which distinguish them are not prominent, and can be safely judged only by one who has studied mushrooms very carefully. It is dangerous to eat mushrooms which have been gathered by anyone who has not had considerable experience, and especially who is familiar with the forms which grow in the particular locality. Many cases of poisoning have resulted among foreigners who were accustomed to gather mushrooms with confidence and safety in their own country, but who mistook related species or varieties which were deadly for similar ones which are harmless.

**Mushroom  
Poisoning**

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### Oxalic Acid In Some Plants

Some species of sorrel are very rich in oxalic acid, a highly poisonous substance, while others contain much less. It is not safe to use sorrels indiscriminately for the preparation of "sour-grass soup," or for pies, as was formerly common in the Middle West. It is better to entirely avoid eating sorrel of any kind, and especially discourage children from eating it, as they frequently do in rural districts.

A number of cases of poisoning with oxalic acid were reported in England during the war as the result of people eating the leaves of rhubarb. The stems contain much less of the acid than do the leaves, and the latter should never be used as greens. It is not wise to eat rhubarb stalks beyond very moderate amounts and then not regularly.

### Fresh Fish Generally Safe

FISH. Some species of fish are poisonous at all times (globe-fish, puffers and balloon fish), but these and others, especially those from the waters of temperate regions, are well recognized as dangerous and are not offered for sale. Certain other fish are poisonous only during the spawning season, and are not offered for sale at this time. It may be definitely stated that there is no danger in the use of fish which are commonly sold, but with the growing demand for additional sources of food at the present time, there is some cause to be careful about the use of a fish which has not generally been upon the market. The U. S. Bureau of Fisheries has given close attention to the supervision of fishes sold as food and there is but very remote possibility of poisoning from fish which are inherently dangerous.

INFECTED FOODS. By far the greatest danger from food poisoning lies in the use of food which is infected with bacteria which either generate poisons in it, or which cause infection when they are taken into the digestive tract. In most cases poisoning from this source is easily avoidable if certain sim-

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ple rules are observed. The danger is greatest from badly handled milk, meats and fish, but occasionally other foods have been implicated in cases of food poisoning.

Gastrointestinal disturbances affecting a number of persons, which develop shortly after eating of the same dish, are as a rule due to infection by an organism known as the paratyphoid bacillus. Infection has not infrequently followed the eating of meat from an animal which was ill when slaughtered. The Department of Agriculture now maintains a very efficient meat inspection service at all points where large numbers of animals are killed for food purposes, and the danger to the public health is greatly minimized thereby. The meat from infected animals may present no evidences of abnormality, either in color, odor or consistency, but illness may follow the consumption of very small amounts. There is more danger in meats which are obtained from animals slaughtered outside of regularly established and inspected abattoirs.

**Intestinal  
Infection  
from  
Spoiled  
Foods**

**MEAT INFECTION BY DISEASED PERSONS.** There is always the possibility that meat or other food may become infected by being handled in the home by a person who persistently harbors the paratyphoid organism in the intestine. These persons eliminate large numbers of the bacteria in the urine, and unless their standards of personal cleanliness are very high they become a source of danger to the health of the household, especially if they handle food. Food which becomes contaminated with these organisms is rendered harmless by thorough cooking, but heating in such a manner as does not cause the interior part of it to become sterilized leads to the infection of those who eat it. It becomes especially dangerous when kept at room

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Persons  
Should Not  
Handle  
Food**



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temperature or in an inefficient refrigerator for a time after imperfect cooking.

Persons suffering from diarrhea should never prepare food for others, and too great care cannot be exercised about cleanliness of the hands of all who are engaged in cooking. Thorough cooking is the best safeguard against this type of food poisoning, but it must be remembered that in ordinary kitchen practice the interior of a roast, or of many baked dishes, fails to reach a sufficiently high temperature to destroy the offending organisms if they be present. There are many evidences of this in the data collected in epidemics of food poisoning. The old name of ptomaine poisoning is now falling into disuse, since it has been learned that bacteria are generally the active agents which cause the trouble.

**Instances  
of Food  
Poisoning.** Fifty-five girls in a school in Ireland ate of a beef stew, the meat of which was infected. Fifty-three of them were made ill, and eight died. Others among the girls who ate some of the beef as a cold meat were made seriously ill. In this case the meat was not sufficiently heated in the preparation of the stew, to render it harmless.

In 1915 there was an outbreak of food poisoning at Westerly, Rhode Island, which was traced to the eating of infected pies. Apple, squash, custard, lemon and chocolate pies were all found to have caused illness of people who ate at a certain restaurant, and the cause was found to lie in the use of the same batch of crust for the entire lot of pies. The person who prepared the crust was doubtless infected with the paratyphoid bacillus.

A remarkable outbreak of poisoning from food occurred at Hanford, California, in 1914, at a church supper. Ninety-three persons were infected with typhoid fever. Only those who ate of a dish of spaghetti were made ill, and the source of the infection

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was traced to the woman who prepared this food. She was a typhoid carrier, and had contaminated the spaghetti with her hands, which were unclean. The organisms developed rapidly in the interval before baking, and the interior of the mass was not sufficiently heated to destroy them. The State Department of Health of California conducted experiments with baking spaghetti, and found that such heat treatment as was given the dish which was served at the church supper only served to render the central portion warm enough to enable the germs of typhoid fever to multiply rapidly.

**A Typhoid  
Outbreak  
From a  
Church  
Supper**

Such serious instances of poisoning are rare, but smaller ones in which the members of a single family or a slightly larger group are affected are quite common. The danger is sufficiently great to warrant cautioning all who prepare food or who supervise others who do so, to be on their guard, and to acquire habits of thoroughness in the heating of foods of certain kinds, so as to make it impossible for dangerous organisms such as those of typhoid or paratyphoid fever to survive.

**Danger  
Sufficient  
to Warrant  
Caution**

The history of epidemics of food poisoning also make it clear that the health of all persons who prepare or serve food in public eating places should be carefully looked after. The tragic history of Mary Mallory illustrates an extreme case of the infection of others by a person who persistently carried the germs of typhoid fever. She was a cook and served in and about New York City. One large hospital epidemic and at least seven family epidemics were traced to her.

**The  
Typhoid  
Carrier**

The protection of food against contamination with typhoid organisms through water containing them is another important matter which should be understood by all. A well which is regarded as safe as a source of water may suddenly become dangerous

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**Impure  
Water May  
Cause  
Disease**

after a heavy rain which has washed into it surface water from soil contaminated with human excreta. In most cities the water supply is now carefully looked after, and the transmission of disease by it is steadily becoming less common, but on farms and in villages there may still be considerable danger from this source. Since the family milk supply usually comes from farms which are not above suspicion, it is best that all milk not from certified sources should be heated sufficiently (pasteurized) to render it safe. Water which has become contaminated with sewage may be a source of danger in transmitting harmful bacteria to food which has been washed in it, or the contamination may be brought about by washing milk cans or other utensils or dishes with impure water. The logic of rinsing dishes after washing in scalding water rests on a sound hygienic basis. Once typhoid or paratyphoid organisms are introduced into food, they may multiply very rapidly if the temperature is suitable as it is in hot weather, and food which was wholesome becomes within a day or two a menace to the health of those who eat it. City water which is carefully guarded as to its purity not infrequently becomes more or less dangerous immediately after a heavy storm which floods the sewers and washes unusual quantities of surface water into the reservoirs. At such times it would make for safety to the health of the family if the drinking water for a few days was boiled.

**Sausage and  
Chopped  
Meats**

A large proportion of those outbreaks of food poisoning which have been investigated have been due to sausage and other chopped meats. The reason for this is clear. The meat during the chopping process is greatly exposed to contamination, and when this occurs the germs of a harmful nature become well distributed throughout the mass. The limited supply of oxygen in the interior favors their

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growth. Such meats are frequently allowed to grow stale before being sold to the consumer, and sausage and Hamburg steak are not infrequently eaten without adequate heating to render them safe. Sausage of the kinds which are eaten raw are by no means safe foods. Meat pies and meat jellies have caused many outbreaks of food poisoning because of the common failure to heat them sufficiently before being eaten.

Because of the special importance of milk as a human food, and the common habit of taking it raw except in the larger cities, it deserves special consideration. Milk has been responsible for many cases of food-born infections because it is especially liable to become infected. Probably no less than ten per cent of all dairy cows in the country are infected with tuberculosis. The bovine tubercle bacillus is different in several respects from the human type, and there was for a time much discussion as to whether the bovine form could infect human beings. The evidence is overwhelmingly in support of the view that the human infant and the young of domestic animals can contract the disease from the milk of tuberculous cows. Milk from diseased cows is much less dangerous to adults, but there are obvious esthetic reasons, if no other were available, why such milk should not be used as food.

**Milk Should  
Come from  
Healthy  
Cows**

The opportunity for milk to become infected is very great. Cows are rarely kept as clean as they should be; the dust from the air of the barn always gets into the milk pail to some extent even where satisfactory care is exercised; the udder of the cow now and then becomes infected with pathogenic bacteria; the hands of the milker are not always clean; the health of the milker is not always good, and is sometimes such as to disqualify him for his business. Yet in many instances he continues to milk during tem-

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from Raw  
Milk**

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porary illness or during the early stages of disease which later incapacitates him for work. Add these factors to the long interval between the drawing of the milk and its delivery, which not infrequently intervenes when milk has to be carried from the farm to the city; the common practice of delivering the milk from a number of farms mixed in the city, and it can be readily appreciated that some precautions must be taken to render such milk harmless as a food.

**Common  
Milk Borne  
Diseases**

The common milk-born infections are typhoid fever, scarlet fever, tuberculosis, and the organism which has been found in many cases to be responsible for epidemics of sore throat. All of these organisms are easily destroyed by heating for a short time at temperatures considerably below the boiling point of water, and several methods have been proposed and more or less widely adopted for such treatment of market milk. These processes are known as pasteurization, after Pasteur, the famous French bacteriologist, who first enunciated the principle upon which it rests. In some cases the milk is heated to a temperature of 170-180 degrees Fahrenheit for a period of ten minutes; in others to 165 degrees for twenty minutes, and in still others at 140-145 degrees for thirty minutes. The higher the temperature the shorter the period required to destroy all those forms of organisms which may cause disease. The treatments just described are all capable of rendering milk safe for human consumption, but the tendency has been to adopt more and more the practice of heating to the lower temperatures and for the longer period, because the flavor of the milk is less altered by this method than by heating to higher temperatures. The taste is in all cases modified to some extent, but when the process is properly carried out, this is negligible.

**Pasteuri-  
zation**

All milk which is derived from several farms which are not regularly and effectively inspected to



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determine the health of the cows and the standards of cleanliness of the management, should be pasteurized as a health measure. Pasteurized milk is, so far as can be determined, the equivalent of fresh milk in its food value, except that it has lost in some measure its power to protect against the development of scurvy. This is not a matter of any importance in the nutrition of adults who take an ordinary varied diet, but may be a serious matter in the feeding of an infant which is fed on cows' milk exclusively over a considerable period. The adult never lives exclusively on a milk diet except as a special therapeutic measure, and even then the juice of lemons or oranges is generally taken in fairly liberal amounts because it makes easier the drinking of milk in liberal amounts at frequent intervals. The citrous fruits are especially good for supplying the antiscorbutic substance. When an infant is fed pasteurized milk it should always be given orange juice daily. This is discussed in greater detail in chapter II.

**Food Value  
of Pasteur-  
ized Milk**

Pasteurization does not kill all of the bacteria in milk. The dangerous forms are all killed, and according to the temperature and time of heating, the number of organisms of the kind which cause the normal souring of milk will be reduced or may be entirely destroyed. All milks which are pasteurized at the lower temperatures named will sour irrespective of the subsequent accidental or intentional introduction of the lactic acid organism. Milk which is pasteurized at high temperatures will generally not sour at all or sour so slowly that other types of decomposition mask it, and the milk spoils by unwholesome processes. Even the best pasteurized product will ordinarily sour more slowly than will raw milk, and this is an important factor in determining the fitness of old milk which has been subjected to this treatment.

**Bacteria  
In Milk Not  
All Killed by  
Pasteuriza-  
tion**

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Normal  
Souring  
Prevents  
Unwhole-  
some De-  
composition.

There are always found in milk a certain number of spores of bacteria of the type which cause the putrefaction of milk proteins, and unfortunately these are very resistant to heat and survive the pasteurization process. When unheated milk is allowed to sour, the accumulation of lactic acid serves to depress the growth of the organisms which would cause a rotting decomposition of the milk proteins. Clean milk which has soured is therefore a wholesome food. The souring process serves to preserve its food value. It also serves as an excellent criterion of the freshness of the milk which is sold to the consumer in the city, for her taste will quickly detect it. If, therefore, raw milk were marketed, the rapidity of souring would force the distributor to handle the product properly in order to prevent loss. He would avoid loss by efficiently refrigerating, and promptly delivering his milk. While pasteurization of milk has great advantages from the standpoint of protecting the public against several diseases, the treatment also changes its bacterial content so as to make it especially necessary to safeguard it by proper care so as to prevent its becoming unwholesome.

Stale  
Pasteurized  
Milk Not  
Fit for Food

The slow souring of pasteurized milk gives an opportunity for the bacteria which form unwholesome products in it to develop. Unfortunately the sense of taste does not readily detect changes of this nature so readily as it does the accumulation of acid. Stale pasteurized milk is therefore unfit for human consumption and should not be sold. The consumer is not in a position to determine the quality of the market milk which she receives, and must rely on the health authorities for protection. She should assist them by reporting milk which develops a bad flavor, or which does not keep wholesome for at least twenty-four hours in the home provided it has not been allowed to stand in the bottle on the door step after it

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was delivered, but was promptly placed in an efficient refrigerator.

The housewife should inquire of the health department about the standards of the milk distributor whom she patronizes, and co-operate with this department in securing for the city a first class milk supply. Too much importance should not be attached to the total bacterial count as a basis of judgment of the quality of milk and its fitness for food. A high count, if due solely to the presence of the normal souring organisms in warm weather, may have little significance, although it calls for vigilance. It is the number of gas formers which is of greatest moment and the bacteriologist of the health department alone can determine when the condition of the market milk calls for criticism in many instances.

Milk which contains excessive numbers of bacteria may be permissible as food for adults provided it is used in cookery and is boiled sufficiently to render it harmless. It is not so wholesome a food as fresh, clean milk, however, and any which is in a bad bacteriological condition should never be used for children even when bottled, as it is dangerous.

The human infant is so delicate that its health is put in jeopardy by feeding it any milk other than the freshest, cleanest and most wholesome that can be obtained. The indifference with which many people feed canned or stale milks to infants and young children is little short of criminal, and when sane advice by competent bacteriologists and medical men in the health departments is now almost everywhere to be freely had for the asking, such practices cannot be excused on the basis of ignorance. An excellent method of fulfilling the duties of good citizenship is to keep conversant with the reports of the health department, and to co-operate with it in every way possible to protect the health of the community. Vig-

**Total  
Number of  
Bacteria  
In Milk  
Not Very  
Significant**

**Low Grade  
Milk May  
Be Used  
In Cookery**

**Do Not Feed  
Infants  
Stale  
Milk**

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ilance of the milk supply and of the inspection of water and foods by the proper authorities is a duty of every conscientious member of the community.

**CANNED MILK.** Milk production cannot be regulated according to the demands of the season. There will always be a surplus at some seasons when enough is produced to supply the public during the part of the year when the flow is smallest. This surplus is taken care of principally through canning of partly evaporated milk. The canned milk industry serves the useful function of preservation for future use of a valuable food resource which would otherwise have to go for stock feeding or be wasted.

Canned milks are of two classes: sweetened and unsweetened. Part of the water is removed by evaporation, and this evaporated product is placed in cans and sealed with suitable "processing" or heating to render it sterile, or nearly so, to prevent spoilage. Such unsweetened canned milk is called **evaporated milk**. **Condensed milk** always designates a product which has been treated in the manner described and with the subsequent addition of sufficient cane sugar to aid in its preservation. Bacteria do not grow well in highly sweetened foods, a fact which forms the basis of preserving foods such as fruits, jellies, etc., by the addition of much sugar. It is necessary to heat unsweetened, canned milk to a higher temperature and for a longer time to prevent subsequent bacterial decomposition, than condensed milk which is partly preserved by sweetening. The sweetened product does not need to be sterile in order to keep until marketed, and as one would expect, there are some cans which are not in as good bacteriological condition as others.

All canned milks have been heated sufficiently to alter their flavors. All have been heated much higher than the temperature employed in pasteurization. All

Canned Milk  
Should Be  
Used Only  
by Adults

Sweetened  
and Un-  
sweetened  
Canned  
Milks

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heated milks have lost in great measure their power to prevent scurvy from developing, but this is not under ordinary conditions of living a matter of any importance for adults. It may become a matter of great gravity in feeding soldiers during a siege, or in garrisons, or prisoners, when they are confined to a monotonous diet free from fresh fruits or vegetables. The latter supply the necessary protective substance for this purpose.

**Canned  
Milks Will  
Not Prevent  
Scurvy**

Canned milks are not proper food for infants or young children. They may be used with safety and profit by adults where fresh milk cannot be obtained, and a large market is assured for them in such places. It cannot be denied that children have succeeded in growing up on such milks, but they are greatly jeopardized by being confined to them. Experienced baby specialists are all agreed that the bones of an infant do not as a rule develop normally when it is confined for a prolonged period to canned milk. The administration of orange juice or other fresh fruit juice may prevent the development of scurvy, but according to some specialists does not prevent rickets. It is true that many will testify to the experience that an infant may do better for a time on sweetened canned milk than it previously did on fresh raw or pasteurized milk. The beneficial effects of such a change of diet are to be explained by the action of the large amount of sugar in the canned milk, which discourage the growth of some pernicious type of organism which was flourishing in the intestine of the infant and making it ill. This does not serve to establish that canned milk is a good and safe infant food. It would be much better where the physician desires to add sugar to the diet for this purpose, to add it to clean, fresh milk, certified if it is obtainable, and if not, to the best fresh pasteurized milk which can be had.

**Mistaken  
Ideas About  
Sweetened  
Canned  
Milk**



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### Milk Powders

**DRIED MILKS.** What has been said of canned milks may probably also be said of ordinary dried milk, but too little experience is available in the use of the very best qualities of milk powders to warrant an expression of opinion regarding their value in infant feeding. There is much less heating in the most perfect processes for the preparation of high grade milk powders than in the canning of milks. The product prepared by the spray process appears to be superior to all others. The milk is first partly condensed by distilling off moisture in a partial vacuum, and the concentrated solution of milk solids which results is sprayed in the form of fine droplets into a large chamber, which is thoroughly ventilated by a blast of warm air. This carries away the water content of the milk almost instantaneously, and the solids of the milk fall in the form of a snowy powder. This redissolves readily in water and forms a "reconstituted" milk which can scarcely be told from fresh milk. It is therefore vastly superior to canned milks in flavor, and forms a wholesome food with excellent keeping qualities. Conversion into the finest grade of powder forms the most satisfactory method of preserving milk which has been devised.

### Botulism from Spoiled Meats, etc

**BOTULISM.** There is a kind of food poisoning which has fortunately not become common in the United States, but has occasionally occurred. It is much more frequently met with in Europe. It is due to the ingestion of the poisonous body formed in foods by the organism *bacillus botulinus*, and the condition which the poison produces is known as botulism. The name comes from the Latin word for sausage, because this article has been more frequently responsible for this type of poisoning than any other. Stale foods of any kind are liable to harbor this bacillus and its poison. It has been traced to canned beans, canned pork and beans and to stale chicken

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and other remnants of meat which have been made into sandwiches. The trouble is not due to the ingestion of the organism itself, for it does not grow at body temperature, although it thrives at ordinary room temperatures. During growth it forms the poison, the ingestion of which produces a most serious and frequently fatal intoxication.

The botulinus organism cannot develop in the presence of air, and this fact together with its inability to grow at body temperature doubtless accounts for its infrequent observation. The poison is easily destroyed by heating to the temperature of boiling water, so that if an article of food were badly infected and highly toxic, it would no longer be dangerous if, as is usually the case, it were heated to boiling before serving. It may develop in the interior of a piece of meat but occurs most frequently in canned goods which have not been heated in processing for a sufficient length of time to kill its spores. It should be the invariable rule to heat all canned goods to boiling before serving. If this is done there is no danger whatever from this variety of food poisoning.

**Danger In  
Stale Meats**

**CANNED GOODS.** The practice of preserving food by sealing it in air tight cans and sterilizing by heat did not become common until the Civil War, but since then food canning has grown to be an enormous industry. There has been a tendency for many years on the part of the public to be suspicious of the quality of canned foods. The most serious outbreak of criticism arose during the Spanish-American war in connection with the beef supplied to the soldiers in Cuba. The canned meat was apparently in good condition, and was pronounced wholesome by competent and unprejudiced scientists, but the boys came to dislike it, presumably because they were fed excessive amounts of meat, rich in fat, in a semi-tropical climate. As would be expected, they became

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Foods Are  
Usually  
Safe

disgusted at the sight of canned meat. The newspapers, championing the cause of the soldier, heralded the unpleasant appellation "embalmed beef" widely and helped to establish in the mind of the public a distrust of canned foods in general. Whenever there has occurred a case of food poisoning sufficiently serious to attract attention, suspicion has invariably fallen on any canned article which has been recently eaten. In many cases these suspicions have been unfounded, but occasionally there has occurred a case of poisoning from canned foods.

Canned meats are probably safer in general than beef or fowl left over from a former repast and served when several days old as cold meat, or in the form of sandwiches. They are certainly much safer than sausages or hamburg steaks or than lobster. The latter spoils so readily that it is customary to market them alive, to be killed at the time their preparation for the table is begun. There is difficulty in keeping them alive in some cases, and it not infrequently happens that the dealer forces the purchaser to take some dead with living ones. The number of cases of poisoning from lobster has not been so great or so frequent as to cause undue alarm. It may be considered in general a safe food provided ordinary care is exercised. Canned lobster is probably as safe as other canned meats, and the same may be said of other sea foods.

From time to time the objection has been raised against canned foods that they are liable to contain dissolved tin from the can or lead from the solder. Such objections have not found much support from chemical analysis. It is true that acid fruits, and among the vegetables, especially asparagus, may dissolve a considerable amount of tin, but the practice of using lacquered or enameled containers has in-

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creased to a considerable extent during recent years and minimizes this difficulty.

**RAW FOODS.** The danger from the use of raw milk and sausage has been already discussed. It may be added that there are certain animal parasites, the most important among which in temperate regions are trichina and tape worm, which enter the system only through the use of meats which are infested with the encysted larvae. Trichina comes from raw or under-cooked pork. It has been stated even in recent years that about six per cent of all hogs slaughtered harbor this parasite. It is especially dangerous since there is no effective cure for it once it enters the muscles. This the larvae do by penetrating the intestinal wall. The disease, in cases where the number of parasites which enter the tissues is small, is not fatal, but causes much suffering.

**Dangers  
from Raw  
Meats**

**Trichina  
from Raw  
Pork**

Tapeworm is almost always derived from eating beef which is raw or under cooked. It, as well as trichina, can be entirely avoided by thorough cooking of the meat. There is a dwarf tapeworm which is parasitic in the hog and the rat, and food contaminated by its eggs forms the source from which these animals become its hosts. These and a few other parasites which occasionally infest men are sufficiently common in animals which are used as food, so that it is very important that all food of this nature should be heated so thoroughly as to destroy the larvae.

**Tapeworm  
from Raw  
Beef.**

The belief is held by a few faddists that man would be better nourished if he ate only raw foods. This subject needs little discussion for the practice would greatly restrict the list of articles which could be eaten with safety. While some of the lower animals can eat foods containing raw starch, most of these articles are not safe for man and produce indigestion if eaten freely. The starch granules are

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Most  
Vegetables  
Should be  
Cooked

individually wrapped in a paper-like cellulose membrane which is of such a nature that it is not dissolved by any of the digestive juices in the alimentary tract of man. Cooking causes the bursting of this membrane, and the setting free of the starch, which makes it possible for the digestive ferments to come into intimate contact with it. The flavors of various foods are markedly improved by cooking, and, without exception, their digestibility as well.

Almost all vegetables from the garden are eaten only after cooking. The most important exceptions are lettuce, tomato, celery, onion and radish. These, if thoroughly washed, are entirely safe, except in a few cases where the inexcusable practice is followed of fertilizing the ground with night soil. This practice is very common in China, and may contaminate vegetables with the typhoid organism. For esthetic reasons, if for no other, the use of this method of fertilizing cannot be too strongly condemned.

Foods  
Which  
May be  
Eaten  
Raw

Fruits and berries are frequently eaten raw, and this is to be recommended when practicable. It has been stated that the substance in natural foods which prevents scurvy is the most easily destroyed constituent of our diet, and most cooked foods as well as those which have been sterilized by canning, or even subjected to the lesser degree of heat necessary for pasteurization, will be lacking in this dietary essential. There are probably a very few foods which can be heated or dried without complete loss of this substance. The tomato appears to be one of these. The best way to introduce this protective substance into the diet is in such fruits as can be eaten raw with safety. Apples, pears, peaches, oranges, bananas and berries serve this purpose admirably. They are clean enough to eat when washed or peeled. The juice of the lemon or orange is apparently one of the best sources of the protective substance against



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scurvy. Berries need special care in washing because in many cases some or all of them are liable to have been in contact with the soil, on account of the lowness of the vine, or the tendency of the canes to droop to the ground when loaded with fruit. They are not therefore so safe for children as fruits which are peeled. Nuts, being protected by a shell, are exceptionally clean and suitable for eating raw. Their palatability is high, and they are very desirable for the sake of variety and palatability in the diet. They have the advantage that they need no preparation. All human foods, except the meats, fruits and nuts are of relatively low palatability. These few are therefore of special value for their appetizing qualities.

**REFRIGERATION OF FOOD IN THE HOME.** Since all uncooked foods are more or less contaminated with bacteria, and all cooked foods readily become seeded with organisms from the air and handling, all will undergo decomposition if kept too long. The spoilage takes place slower at low temperature than at high; hence the desirability of having a good refrigerator in the home for the preservation of food. Many refrigerators and ice boxes are practically worthless because of faulty construction or lack of sufficient ice. A small ice box is frequently an expensive luxury, which wastes ice and fails to preserve food, while a big refrigerator is true economy. Many household refrigerators do not maintain a temperature below 55 to 58 degrees F. and at these temperatures most forms of bacteria continue to grow fairly rapidly. The temperature should be not higher than 45 degrees around the food.

**Keep a  
Good  
Refrigerator**

It never pays to buy less ice than the maximum which the refrigerator will hold. Ice melts faster if the temperature is high than if it is low, so the greater the amount of ice in the compartment, and the more

**Do Not  
Economize  
On Ice**

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efficient the lowering of the temperature the greater the saving in the rate of melting as well as increased thoroughness in the cooling of the food.

The refrigerator should be cleaned at least once a week. The water from melted ice should not be used for cool drinks, nor should it come into contact with food, unless the ice is frozen artificially and from boiled or distilled water. Natural ice frequently contains the germs of typhoid fever.

**How to  
Keep  
Baby's  
Milk Cold**

Most refrigerators are so constructed that the water drips away as fast as it is formed, and while it is still nearly ice cold. Much of the refrigerating power of it is of course lost. The ice compartment should be a water tight box in which the water accumulates around the ice. This prevents rapid melting of the ice, and secured the full cooling power of the ice water. The water may be drawn off each day before the compartment is re-filled. The temperature of water in which ice is floating will be but a few degrees above the freezing point, and when milk is being kept for feeding an infant over a twenty-four hour period, the bottle should be immersed in this ice water, rather than allowed to stand in air beside a cake of ice, since it will be much colder in the water.

**Esthetic  
Standards  
and Safety  
In Foods**

**SAFETY AND ESTHETIC STANDARDS IN FOOD.**—Disease is mainly contracted through direct contact with a diseased person or animal or with its secretions or excretions. Next in importance as cause of disease is food which has become contaminated with bacteria. Lack of cleanliness in the home or surroundings is of much less importance in the dissemination of disease. The views regarding the relative importance of these factors have been completely reversed within recent years.

The discriminating part of the public now demands cleanliness in the handling of food and drink, and attractiveness in appearance and manner of serv-

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ing, wholly aside from any element of danger to health which may be involved in methods which do not meet with their approval. This appreciation of cleanliness, apart from the protection which it affords against infection, is a purely esthetic factor which has greatly modified the handling of food by dealers. It is now common practice to demand single service packages in the serving of food in public eating places, and of package foods in the home. Laws have been enacted and enforced to prevent the exposure of foods to dust of the street or to insects. Bread must be wrapped if it is to find its way into many homes. Bottled water is purchased by many at great expense because of a highly developed sense of decency, and a demand for attractive appearance in food and drink.

**The Grading  
of Milk  
According  
to Its  
Cleanness**

The classification of milk into A, B and C grades is a notable illustration of the demand of the public for a clean product, notwithstanding that all grades may be rendered comparatively safe for consumption by adults by means of pasteurization. People have come to appreciate milk which has been collected under hygienic conditions and are willing in many cases to pay an additional price for the assurance that their food has never been allowed to become contaminated at any time, irrespective of the fact that it may have been subsequently rendered entirely safe by heating. The demand for bottled water at a high price instead of city water which has been treated chemically in order to render it safe provided it may have been contaminated before treatment, illustrates the same tendency.

Doubtless the instinct for cleanliness had its origin in a realization that a relation sometimes exists between dirt, insects and disease, but it can be readily appreciated that the esthetic demands of the public, or at least a part of it, have gone far beyond the point where safety alone is involved.

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### Object of Food Inspection

In the main the supervision of the manufacture and handling of food by the officials charged with this duty must necessarily have safety to health as its watchword, rather than a high standard of excellence, for the gratification of the esthetic sense of enjoyment of eating food which has never been allowed to become contaminated at any time. It is not easy to draw a line between the reasonable and the unreasonable in respect to this matter.

A good general plan will be to demand extreme care in the manufacture and handling of those foods which are to be eaten in the home without further heat treatment. Bread, crackers, pastry, etc., fall into this class, as do also breakfast cereals and milk or cream and butter.

The protection of cooked meats from dust is so simple and makes for safety in some degree, that vigilance in enforcing laws for securing it are warranted. It is much less necessary to demand extreme cleanliness in fruits which can be washed and peeled before consumption, or in vegetables which are to be thoroughly cooked before serving.

### Some Are Over-sensitive About Cleanliness

It is easily possible to cultivate an abnormal standard of esthetic demands for cleanliness and attractiveness in food, and to establish very expensive standards which many individuals cannot afford. It is unfortunate, indeed, for a person to be so observant and critical about food that he or she is unable to enjoy food which is prepared in the average public eating place under conditions which are acceptable to the ordinary individual. Nevertheless a standard which demands something beyond mere safety from infection with disease germs is desirable.

CHAPTER VI

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS TO BE OBSERVED IN THE FEEDING OF YOUNG CHILDREN

The unborn infant is nourished by the substances which circulate in the blood of the mother, although the mother's blood does not mix with that of the child. The nutrition of the child begins with the beginning of prenatal life, and the diet of the mother should be such as will insure that her blood carries everything which is necessary for the nourishment of her unborn infant. It should likewise be such that her blood will carry as little as possible of foreign and obnoxious substances which are derived from bacterial decomposition of food in her digestive tract. In the light of all that we now know, this can best be accomplished by the mother adhering in great measure to a lacto-vegetarian diet, in which green vegetables are abundant.

The  
Nutrition  
of the  
Unborn

The pregnant woman should understand that she should not be over abstemious. Neither should she feel that she should eat more than her appetite calls for. The additional demand on her nutrition at this time is not so great as might appear on first thought. The formation of a seven pound baby, about three-fourths of whose weight is water, demands, during a period of nine months but little daily contribution of food material from the mother. The most important consideration is to furnish the developing child with the right kinds of substances for its growth. This is best accomplished by a diet which best promotes the health of the mother.

Every baby should be nursed by its mother. This is the only natural method of feeding an infant. An eminent pediatrian, Dr. Schlossmann, has aptly



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**Every Baby Should be Nursed** termed bottle feeding “unnatural,” and experience amply justifies the use of this harsh word instead of the better-sounding common term “artificial” feeding. In 1901 Westergaard presented statistics which show that the mortality of infants fed on cows’ milk is from five to ten times greater than among those fed on mothers’ milk.

**Diet of Mother Important for Milk Production.** The character of the diet of the mother is a factor of the greatest importance for the production of an adequate supply of milk of good quality. In the Philippine Islands, among mothers who live on very poor diets largely vegetable, the loss of infants is much higher when they are nursed than when they are fed on cows’ milk. Yet in this tropical climate the mortality among “unnaturally” fed babies is much greater than it is among babies fed cows’ milk in the United States, because of lack of care in the handling of the milk, and consequent bad bacteriological condition. The best diet for the nursing mother is a milk and vegetable diet in which lettuce, spinach, cabbage, Brussels sprouts, chard, collards, turnip greens or other leafy vegetables and fruits are abundant. Meat should be eaten but sparingly, but should be used in cookery to confer palatability on the vegetable foods.

**Mortality of Babies In the Philippines** There is good reason to believe that the common practice of deriving too large a part of the diet from meat, bread, sugar, potatoes, breakfast cereals, peas and beans is in no small measure responsible for the failure of many mothers to produce milk of satisfactory quantity and quality for the nutrition of their infants. There is no hardship in restriction of the intake of meat and increasing the consumption of milk and the green vegetables, and the mother who does so will greatly minimize the danger of a break in the healthy growth of her baby.

**Nursing Mother Requires the Protective Foods** When it is absolutely necessary to feed a baby on something other than the mother’s milk, the first

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choice of substitutes is the milk of the goat. Many persons in large cities cannot readily keep a goat for this purpose, but in villages or on farms it is always easy to do so. The goat does not suffer from tuberculosis as does the cow. It has been estimated that at least ten per cent of all dairy cows in the United States are infected with this disease, and it is readily transmitted to a young infant through the milk if it is fed raw. When pasteurized milk is used there is no danger from this source, but pasteurized milk is not so satisfactory for an infant as is raw milk. It is vastly superior to the average raw milk which is sold in cities, however, and should always be selected instead of the latter unless certified milk is procured.

**A Goat as  
a Foster  
Mother**

When a goat is kept for an infant, doubtless the best method of feeding is to apply the child directly to the nipple of the animal and let it suck. In this way it will get its milk free from bacteria. The nipple should be carefully washed with several portions of boiled water; not several times with the same water. If this method is not followed, the goat should be milked immediately before each feeding. The milking should be done directly into the bottle from which the child is to be fed. The bottle should be washed thoroughly with warm water and soap after use and well rinsed with boiled water. Special care should be taken to keep the nipple clean by forcing warm, soapy water through it. Do not use the same dish mop for washing baby's bottle that is used for the family dishes. Have a special one for this purpose and rinse it free from soapy water after use. Hang it where flies cannot reach it when not in use and do not lay it in the kitchen sink or on the kitchen table.

**How to  
Wash  
Baby's  
Bottle**

After goat's milk, fresh pasteurized milk from the cow forms the best food which is usually available for an infant. If the cost is not prohibitive it is best to

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**Use Milk from Healthy Cows In Infant Feeding** purchase certified milk for a baby during the first year and a half of its life. Certified milk is milk which has been obtained from cows which are carefully inspected at frequent intervals and are known to be free from disease; the standard of cleanliness in the barn is known to be high and the health of the milkers is carefully watched. When cows' milk is fed to an infant it is best to skim off half of the cream.

**Keep Baby's Milk Cold Until Feeding Time, Then Warm It.** It is of the greatest importance to keep baby's milk as cold as possible from the moment it is delivered at the door until it is used. The most efficient way to do this is to have an ice box in which the ice is kept in a deep pan in which the water from the melting ice accumulates. The bottle of milk submerged partly in this water containing a piece of ice will be many degrees colder than it would be in an ordinary refrigerator, even when standing beside the ice.

**Orange Juice for Infants** When pasteurized milk is employed in infant feeding the child should be given a teaspoonful of orange juice daily after it is a month old. The amount should be increased gradually as the child grows older. At three or four months it should have a tablespoonful daily.

**Spinach for Babies.** At a meeting of baby specialists in 1917 the subject of feeding green vegetables was thoroughly discussed. The fact was brought out that the practice of giving infants well cooked spinach when their nutritive condition is below normal, has been widely adopted and with excellent results. The fact was emphasized that the spinach should be steamed rather than boiled since it loses less mineral salts in steaming. It should never be fed without being rubbed through a sieve to break it up finely and to remove all coarse particles. Feeding spinach may be begun at the age of six months. A tablespoonful a day may be given at this age and the amount may be increased

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to double this amount at nine or ten months and to three spoonfuls after the child is a year old. Orange juice should be continued with the spinach.

The practice of feeding infants sweetened evaporated milk has grown enormously during recent years and has done incalculable damage to many thousands. Canned milks are not fit food for infants and should be used only when nothing else is available and then for as short a time as possible. The bones do not develop normally on this food and physical weakness and low vitality in later life is almost sure to result. The death rate of infants is universally admitted to be abnormally high where they are restricted to canned milk. No expense or trouble should be spared to obtain fresh, raw or pasteurized cow's or fresh goat's milk when nursing is impossible.

**Canned  
Milk Not  
Fit for  
Infant  
Feeding**

The proper time to wean baby is when it is about a year old. At first it may be given cow's milk from a bottle, but it is not best to allow it to suck a nipple after baby is two years old. Half the feedings should be given from a bottle at first and the nursing continued so as to wean it gradually. The milk which is fed to a young child should be warmed to body temperature. About three tablespoonfuls of spinach should be continued daily after weaning. One or two tablespoonfuls of thoroughly cooked cereal, slightly salted, should be added to the milk daily and may be given at the times when the spinach is not fed. Baby should be given a piece of crisp toast or zwiebeck to chew once a day. Milk should remain the principal constituent of the diet and orange juice should be given regularly. An egg yolk may be given every other day instead of the spinach or the cereal, but one of these should be allowed every day.

**Feeding  
Just After  
Weaning**

On such a dietary plan an infant which is given boiled water several times a day, and which is allowed sufficient sleep, will nearly always thrive. If it is not

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**Let Baby  
Have Time  
to Sleep**

growing, consult a doctor. Many babies are fretful because they are handled so much that they do not get enough rest. It is wrong to entertain a baby more than a few minutes at a time. It should be taught from its earliest infancy to remain alone in a quiet room the greater part of the time.

Do not give baby meat, tea or coffee, or sweet foods. These may not make it ill, but they pervert the appetite for the things which are best for it. Great care should be taken to cultivate during the first few years a liking for wholesome foods.

**Fruits for  
the Young  
Child.**

After two years baby can be given more cereal, but the diet should consist largely of milk, egg yolk, green vegetables, toast and crackers. Fruit juices should always form a part of the daily food supply. A little scraped apple, if ripe, may be given occasionally, but orange juice or a little ripe banana is better. Tomato juice free from seeds is perfectly safe during the second year and thereafter, but should be given in but small amounts. Berries, either raw or cooked, are not safe foods for children, and fruits which are not thoroughly ripe are dangerous.

**Always Give  
Children  
Plenty of  
Milk.**

During later childhood children should have about a quart of milk a day, and the rest of the diet should be planned around this necessary staple. They may eat freely of nearly all the dishes provided for the adult members of the family, but the consumption of meat should be kept down to a very low limit. Care should be exercised not to form an appetite for sweet foods which will interfere with the enjoyment of the natural flavors of ordinary wholesome foods. It is not necessary to deny them an occasional sweet dessert, and they may well be given candy or sugar, but always in small amounts and with a meal rather than after it.



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Children should be trained to like all green vegetables, and a daily serving of carrots, turnips, radishes or other products of the garden is advisable. Fruit may be offered as a lunch between meals when convenient rather than starchy or sweet foods, because they leave the teeth freer from adhering matter which promotes decay.

**Cultivate  
a Liking  
for Green  
Vegetables  
In Children**

The main principle to be kept in mind in the feeding of growing children is that they should not be allowed to form the habit of deriving too large a part of their diet from meat, bread, potatoes, sugar and breakfast cereals. This mistake is now being frequently made in many otherwise well managed homes and the reports of the physical condition of the school children in many cities reflect its effects. Plain food should be chosen which is not so appetizing or habit-forming as to encourage over eating, but which meets all of the requirements of a well balanced food supply and which will not lead to the development of an unfavorable type of bacterial population in the intestine. Constant use of milk of good quality, bread, potatoes, cereals, fruits and abundant leafy vegetables fulfill these requirements.

**A Common  
Mistake.**

**HARD FOODS HELP TO MAKE GOOD TEETH.** The importance of furnishing something hard to chew on from early infancy is very great. Toast serves this purpose admirably during the first two years. After that time apples, crackers, hard bread, raw cabbage chopped as fine as possible with a meat chopper, cooked vegetables, lettuce, celery, etc., serve to develop the teeth. Children must be watched to see that they do not swallow their food without chewing. Too many children are allowed to grow up on soft foods. When we chew fibrous foods we exert a pressure of one hundred to two hundred and fifty pounds pressure on the teeth, and this insures a good circulation of blood in the inner part, and is a most

**Children  
Should  
Have Some  
Hard Food  
for the  
Teeth**

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important factor in developing the teeth and jaws. The freedom from decay of the teeth among primitive peoples may be in some measure attributable to the necessity for vigorous efforts of the teeth made necessary by the tough meats, hard grains, fibrous fruits and vegetables which furnish their food supply.

### Prevalence of Decayed Teeth

Of 10,500 school children in England and Scotland, 86 per cent had decayed teeth. Among 19,725 children in northern Germany the percentage showing diseased teeth was 96. In a group of 3236 children in Philadelphia, between the ages of 7 and 14 years, 7,763 decayed permanent teeth were found. In Seattle, the histories of over 1100 children showed that 42.6 per cent which had been nursed at least six months; 42.9 per cent of those which had been nursed less than six months and were then fed cows' milk, and 72.1 per cent of those which were fed in infancy on sweetened condensed milk, had decayed teeth. Similar results have been observed in other places.

### The Teeth of Primitive Peoples

It has been commonly supposed in the past that the chewing of hard foods was solely responsible for the development of good teeth in savage peoples. It does have much to do with it, but all primitive peoples do not have good teeth. Marshall has pointed out that the teeth of meat eaters and of vegetarians are equally liable to decay. It seems that one of the most important factors in producing teeth of poor quality which early become infected, and which is now so common depends on the practice which is now widespread, of deriving too large a portion of the diet from muscle meats, modern milling products of cereal grains, and tubers. Such a diet is deficient in several respects, and the nature of these have been discussed already. According to this view the low vitality and inferiority of the teeth is but one manifestation among many of poor physical development. Certainly our standards of physical stamina are fairly

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low, as is shown by the large number of young men who pass in every day life as normal, but who were found unfit for military service. Eating soft foods, which give the teeth no exercise; constant presence of pasty starchy deposits on the teeth and faulty selection of food doubtless all combine to produce the serious condition which now prevails.

Both for children and adults it is of importance that the last article eaten should be of such a nature as to cleanse the teeth. Sticky pastries, cake and other carbohydrate foods tend to remain in the fissures of the teeth and are not easily removed by the tooth-brush. Carbohydrate residues tend to favor decay more than do meat particles. It would be best to eat a salad, cole slaw, celery, apple or other fibrous food at the end of the meal, since they tend not only to cleanse the teeth but exert a detergent action on dental caries. Acid fruits are doubtless best for this purpose because they stimulate the secretion of a strongly alkaline saliva which coats the teeth and preserves them from being etched by the decomposition products of the food residues which would otherwise remain.

**Best to End  
Meal With  
Fruits**

The idea, which has been fostered by many advertisements of dental creams, that the teeth should be scrubbed with some chemical preparation to remove "that film" is fallacious. The teeth should be covered with a film between meals, but it should be the natural film of a distinctly alkaline saliva. A dental floss should be used to remove particle from between the teeth, and they should be brushed after each meal. There is nothing better for this purpose than a high grade soap and water. The last saliva secreted will then cover the teeth, free from residues, with a film, and preserve them.

**"That Film"  
On the  
Teeth**

The simple statement is frequently made that candy is bad for the teeth. It can be easily appreci-

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### **Sugar and Candy and Bad Teeth**

ated from what has been said that the matter cannot be dismissed in this way. Candy is a food as is sugar in any form, and may be taken with advantage if it is done in such a way as not to interfere with the selection of a proper diet. The abuse of sweets is common and serious. It is as little excusable to cultivate in children a liking for highly sweetened foods so extreme as to amount to a craving, as it would be to form in them the habit of craving coffee, tea or alcohol. They lose thereby the ability to appreciate the natural flavors of wholesome foods and this militates against their taking a diet which is satisfactory, and this leads to faulty nutrition with all its train of consequences.

The advice contained in this chapter, insofar as it relates to the preservation of the teeth, can be followed by the adult members of the family with profit, which will be reaped in a diminished patronage of the dentist, and in deferred adoption of substitute teeth.

## PART II

### REMARKS ON THE MENUS

It is best to serve small portions of meat, and then if desired let each member of the family ask for a second helping. This will aid in reducing the consumption of meat where the individual is desirous of doing so.

Observe that ample provision is made for utilizing left-overs in succeeding menus. This ever present problem can be easily solved. The frequent appearance of cream soups, gravies, salads and scalloped dishes provides the way to introduce these into the succeeding meal in an attractive form. Dry bread is used in the scalloped dishes, puddings or stuffings. Home made ice cream is preferable for children because the wholesomeness of all the ingredients of which it is composed can be counted upon.

In these menus the word **fry** has been used in the usual American sense rather than **sauté**.

These menus have been planned without regard to rigid economy, except in respect to the work required in serving them. None are of such a nature as to require an expenditure of money greater than is usual in the average home, provided the meat consumption is kept down as far as is recommended. Good food is not cheap at the present time and food must be one of the principal items in the family budget. The last place to economize is on the food supply when that economy necessitates the consumption of a poorly constituted diet. The value of good food can be estimated only in terms of health and efficiency.

Occasional menus are given which are faulty in one or more respects, and which serve to illustrate the kinds of mistakes which are commonly made in the



selection of food in many households. These are included in order to bring home to the attention how easily a simple modification of an unsatisfactory meal may make it of good quality for the maintenance of health.

It is preferable to use custards, puddings, cream pies or fruit for dessert rather than fruit pies.

Although receipts have been included for some of the dishes for the convenience of the housewife, there are many details for which she will have to rely on a standard cook book. The few directions given are not expected to take the place of a manual of cookery. It is expected that the great majority of women who make use of these menus will possess a considerable knowledge of this art.

Such decisions as the choice of French dressing, boiled dressing or mayonaise dressing, must be left to the individual, and will depend on the family preference.

In many instances a dislike for milk is not due to an actual sensitization toward the food, but to an aversion resulting from having taken at some time milk which had a bad flavor. The memory of such an experience may persist for a long time. If tainted milk is responsible for the dislike of it as a beverage, it can frequently be taken concealed in cooked foods.

There are a few persons who are sensitive toward certain foods such as milk, eggs, strawberries, tomatoes, almonds or oatmeal, and are made ill by eating them. These always present a special problem. It has been found possible in some cases to relieve the condition, through the administration by a physician at frequent intervals, of very small doses of the proteins of the food which causes illness. They must not be given the offending food.

The information concerning nutrition contained in the preceding chapters should be possessed by all

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the members of the family. Since they will probably not secure this for themselves, the mother should impart it verbally, as part of the table conversation on suitable occasions.

In selecting lettuce it is best to buy well formed heads. Rain spatters particles of soil on garden vegetables, and the inner leaves of lettuce and cabbage are cleaner than the outer ones. The latter may be discarded when these are eaten raw in salads.

The most suitable foods for consumption in the raw state are the fruits and nuts which are peeled or shelled before being served. Lettuce, cabbage and other green vegetables need to be washed with special care when they are to be eaten raw, because they have been in contact with the soil. This applies also especially to strawberries, which in many instances have lain in contact with the ground.

A simple bread and milk supper was once common in rural American homes. It is highly satisfactory from the standpoint of nutrition, and almost eliminates labor in its serving. It is a good policy to serve one occasionally.

The appetite is not a safe guide in the selection of food. The teachings of science are just as reliable in dictating what we shall eat as they are in the regulation of the composition of formulas in manufacturing processes. It is sound practice to prescribe what people shall eat, just as it is to prescribe what medicines they shall take when ill. If people do not like wholesome foods because of habits formed in early life, they should learn to like them. Some will not listen to advice regarding diet, but wholesome advice should be sweetly given them, so that if they persist in ignoring sound principles, they will do so with their eyes open.

The proper remedy for increasing plumpness and expanding waistband is not the elimination of starchy

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and fatty foods from the diet, but exercise and restriction of the appetite, with frequent consultation of the scales. Always take a diet which is physiologically complete, rather than one confined to meat and green vegetables on which one cannot grow fat even when eating to excess.

The proper feeding of a group of people should not be regarded as simply a menial task, but as a public health enterprise. Successful feeding of the family means the application of modern knowledge to the planning of the diet, and makes it a profession in the field of preventive medicine rather than a business.

Ask your city health officer whether the dealer from whom you buy your ice cream uses fresh milk and cream in its manufacture, or whether he uses stale products which have become unfit for marketing in the unfrozen state. Frozen milk and cream, masked with flavoring materials, cannot be judged as to their quality by the sense of taste. Some commercial ice cream is not wholesome, as is shown by an occasional outbreak of food poisoning following its consumption. Your health department should be able to advise you concerning the standards of your dealer.

If you see a cat sleeping in your grocer's window with a fruit exhibit, tell him he will lose your patronage if it occurs again. This is the way in which standards are improved.

It is better to buy wrapped bread when you get it from a wagon, rather than an unwrapped loaf which has been handled by several pairs of hands, and has been exposed to the dust of the street. If you visit the baker's shop this is not necessary.

Never hesitate to tell your food dealers that you do not like to see flies having access to the foods

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which they sell. It helps to promote good health propaganda. If necessary, tell them where flies come from.

Never allow flies in your kitchen. Remember that flies come from filth, like to visit filth, are carriers of disease, and will contaminate food.

Always boil the water for the baby, and for all the family when there is a case of typhoid fever in the neighborhood.

It is better to cultivate the habit of not using sugar on breakfast cereals.

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## THE RIGHT AND WRONG KIND OF MENUS

### UNSATISFACTORY LUNCHES

1.		
Canned Salmon	Lemon	Fried Potatoes
Stewed Corn	Butter	Honey Bread
2.		
Macaroni and Tomatoes		Frankfurters
Mustard	Peas with salt and pepper	
Butter	Apple Sauce	Tea Bread
3.		
Baked Potatoes		Stewed Tomatoes
Radishes	Coffee	Butter Syrup
4.		
Hamburger Balls		Boiled Rice
Bread	Butter	Catsup
	Rhubarb Sauce	

These lunches illustrate a type of menu which is unfortunately fairly common in American homes. They represent the meat, bread and potato type of diet or its equivalent. Both bread and potatoes have similar dietary properties to other seed products such as rice, corn, peas, beans, etc., and the extension of variety in the menu by the addition of these, or by the inclusion of macaroni, spaghetti, sweet potatoes, radishes, turnips, beets or carrots fails to improve the meal to any great extent. They are presented here as examples of typical faulty diets. An understanding of the general principles of the selection of foods on a scientific basis makes it easy to interpret the nature of their faults. They are examples of what **not** to serve.

### SATISFACTORY LUNCHES

1.		
Cream of Corn Soup		Saltines
Salmon Croquettes	Butter	Potato Cakes
Baking Powder Biscuits		Honey
2.		
Cream of Pea Soup		Saltines
Potato Puff	Frankfurters	Mustard
Milk		Apple Sauce
3.		
Cream of Tomato Soup		Croûtons
Scalloped Potatoes	Bread	Radishes
French Toast		Syrup
4.		
Creamed Dried Beef		Boiled Rice
Cabbage and Nut Salad		Butter
White Muffins		Rhubarb Sauce

This series of menus for lunches are set in contrast to those above. Probably no one would pronounce them superior to the latter



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in palatability or attractiveness, yet they are so constituted as to meet the needs of the body, while the ones opposite will not. There is no appreciable difference in the amount of labor required for their preparation. The menus for the year which are presented in this book are planned to avoid just such mistakes as the housewife is liable to make who does not understand the peculiar properties of the foods she buys, and who relies entirely on the acceptability of the foods which she provides for her family.

### UNSATISFACTORY DINNERS

1.
 

Corn Beef Hash	Boiled Potatoes
Stewed Tomatoes	Bread
Coffee	Mince Pie
2.
 

Pot Roast	Gravy	Browned Potatoes
Bread	Buttered Peas and Carrots	Fruit Gelatin
	Butter	Coffee
3.
 

Lamb Chops	French Fried Potatoes
Buttered Turnips	Boiled Squash
Bread	Butter
Apple Dumpling	Coffee
	Hard Sauce
4.
 

Hamburger Layer	Baked Potatoes
Fried Onions	Dill Pickles
Bread	Butter
	Coffee
	Gooseberry Pie

The above menus illustrate errors which are frequently made in the planning of dinners. They represent the meat, bread and potato type of diet, and are not satisfactory for the promotion of health when adhered to over a considerable period. Fortunately, few adhere regularly to diet which is quite so bad as those described, but meals of this type cannot be regarded as satisfactory even when occasionally somewhat improved by the addition of small amounts of the protective foods, milk, and the leafy vegetables. Below is a series of menus which illustrate how simple it is to modify this kind of dinner so as to make it decidedly more satisfactory for the promotion of health.

### SATISFACTORY DINNERS

1.
 

Corn Beef Hash	Creamed Potatoes
Beet Greens	Chili Sauce
Butter	Caramel Custard
2.
 

Pot Roast	Gravy	Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Peas	Cole Slaw	Bread
Butter		Coffee
	Lemon Pie	
3.
 

Lamb Chops	Creamed Potatoes
Creamed Turnips	Bread
	Cabbage and Nut Salad
Brown Betty	Foamy Sauce

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## 4.

Hamburger Layer	Baked Stuffed Potatoes	
Creamed Onions	Bread	Butter
Milk	Dill Pickles	
Chocolate Custard		

The above described dinners furnish a leafy vegetable, and in addition there are two dishes in which milk forms an important constituent. These additions correct the faults from the dietary standpoint, and make the diet complete. Each meal provides the materials which circulate in the tissues of the body during several hours, and provide them with the wherewithall to grow or to repair themselves. It is important that each meal shall be planned so as to provide everything that the body needs, and in as nearly the right proportions as possible. The menus in this book comply with the requirements of modern scientific research in the field of nutrition.

## JANUARY 1. NEW YEAR'S DAY

### Breakfast

Oatmeal	Apples	
Toast	Grape Jelly	Sugar—Milk
Coffee	Cocoa	Butter

### Dinner

Roast Duck	Peanut Stuffing	
Mashed Potatoes	Giblet Gravy	
Creamed Onions	Spiced Peaches	Olives
Bread	Butter	
Mince Pie or Pumpkin Pie	Milk	
Coffee		

### Supper

Cream of Tomato Soup	Croûtons	
Fruit Salad	Cheese Crackers	
Tea	Assorted Cakes	Nuts
		Chocolate

## JANUARY 2

### Breakfast

Cream of Wheat	Oranges	
Bacon or Poached Eggs	Buttered Toast	Sugar—Milk
Coffee	Cocoa	

### Lunch

Creamed Tuna Fish	Boiled Rice	
Milk	Cabbage Salad	
	Bread	Butter

### Dinner

Salmon Loaf	Tomato Sauce	
Baked Potatoes	Spinach with Hard Boiled Egg	
Butter	Bread	Mixed Pickles
Coffee	Lemon Pie	

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## JANUARY 3

### Breakfast

Bananas

Cornmeal Mush with Raisins      Milk  
Toast      Butter      Coffee      Cocoa

### Lunch

Vegetable Soup      Saltines  
Scalloped Potatoes      Cucumber Pickles  
Bread      Butter

Apple Sauce

### Dinner

Lamb Chops      Mashed Potatoes  
Creamed Peas      Currant Jelly  
Milk      Bread      Coffee      Butter  
Apricot Fluff      Custard Sauce

## JANUARY 4. (Sunday)

### Breakfast

Grapefruit

Oatmeal      Milk  
Toast      Butter      Waffles      Syrup  
Coffee      Cocoa

### Dinner

Roast Lamb      Mint Sauce  
Brown Potatoes      Celery  
Creamed Carrots      Bread  
Vanilla Ice Cream      Saltines  
Chocolate Sauce      Coffee

### Supper

Welsh Rarebit on Toast  
Potato Chips      Butter      Nut Bread  
Chocolate      Marshmallows

## JANUARY 5

### Breakfast

Stewed Prunes

Cream of Wheat      Sugar—Milk  
Pork Sausages      Butter  
Coffee      Toast      Cocoa

### Lunch

Cream of Celery Soup      Saltines  
Scalloped Corn      Pear Salad  
Cucumber Pickles      Bread      Butter  
Tea

### Dinner

Roast Lamb Reheated in Gravy  
Mashed Potatoes      Spinach  
Bread      Butter      Cabbage Salad      Coffee      Cheese      Milk  
Apple Pie

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## JANUARY 6

### Breakfast

Hominy		Apples		Sugar—Milk
	Buckwheat Cakes		Bacon	
Bread	Butter	Coffee		Cocoa

### Lunch

	Cod Fish or Finnan Haddie	White Sauce
Butter	Potato Cakes	Mixed Pickles
	Plum Conserve	White Muffins

### Dinner

	Stuffed Beef Heart	Gravy
Butter	Glazed Sweet Potatoes	Celery
	Creamed Onions	Bread
	Chocolate Custard	White Cookies

## JANUARY 7

### Breakfast

	Bananas		Sugar—Milk
Oatmeal		Toast	
	Soft Boiled Eggs	Cocoa	Coffee
Butter			

### Lunch

	Oyster Stew	Saltines
	Scalloped Potatoes	Corn Bread
Cottage Cheese Salad		Syrup

### Dinner

	Boiled Tongue	Tomato Sauce
	Baked Potatoes	Creamed Cabbage
Butter		Milk
	Bread	
	Cherry Pudding with Sauce	

## JANUARY 8

### Breakfast

	Baked Apples		Sugar—Milk
Cornmeal Mush		Toast	Butter
Bacon		Cocoa	
	Coffee		

### Lunch

	Cream of Tomato Soup	Saltines
	Macaroni and Cheese	Bread
	Watercress Salad	Butter
	Stewed Peaches	Cream

### Dinner

	Meat Pie	Creamed Carrots
	Mixed Pickle	Raised Biscuits
Butter		Milk
	Cottage Pudding	Foamy Sauce
	Coffee	

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## JANUARY 9

### Breakfast

Stewed Prunes

Butter      Pettijohns      Toast      Coffee      Cocoa      Sugar—Milk  
Orange Marmalade

### Lunch

Cream of Corn Soup      Saltines  
Tuna Fish Salad      Tea      Butter  
Baking Powder      Biscuits  
Honey

### Dinner

Broiled Halibut      Creamed Potatoes  
Butter      Fried Parsnips      Cole Slaw  
Bread      Coffee  
Bread Pudding      Vanilla Wafers

## JANUARY 10

### Breakfast

Bananas

Oatmeal      Butter      Poached Eggs on Toast      Sugar—Milk  
Coffee      Cocoa

### Lunch

Vegetable Soup      Saltines  
Lima Beans in Casserole      Cucumber Pickles  
Butter      Bread  
Tea      Milk  
Baked Apples      Cream

### Dinner

Lamb Chops      Mashed Potatoes  
Creamed Turnips      Dill Pickles  
Butter      Bread  
Caramel Custard      Whipped Cream

## JANUARY 11. (Sunday)

### Breakfast

Oranges

Cream of Wheat      Sugar—Milk  
Syrup      Waffles      Bacon      Butter  
Coffee      Cocoa

### Dinner

Roast Beef      Gravy      Spinach  
Brown Potatoes      Cranberry Jelly  
Bread      Asparagus Salad      Butter  
Coffee      Saltines  
Vanilla Ice Cream

### Supper

Oyster Stew      Saltines  
Salted Peanuts      Nut Bread  
Grape Conserve      Butter  
White Cake      Chocolate



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## JANUARY 12

### Breakfast

Apples  
Oatmeal  
Buckwheat Cakes  
Coffee  
Cocoa  
Syrup  
Sugar—Milk  
Butter

### Lunch

Cheese Soufflé  
Banana and Nut Salad  
Tea  
Milk  
Butter  
Baked Potatoes  
Bread

### Dinner

Roast Beef Reheated in Gravy  
Mashed Potatoes  
Butter  
Bread  
Plain Jello with Custard Sauce  
Coffee  
Creamed Celery  
Beet Pickles

## JANUARY 13

### Breakfast

Stewed Prunes  
Cream of Wheat  
Butter  
Coffee  
Toast  
Cocoa  
Sugar—Milk  
Bacon

### Lunch

Italian Spaghetti  
Waldorf Salad  
Butter  
White Muffins  
Strawberry Jam  
Milk

### Dinner

Meat Loaf  
Creamed Potatoes  
Celery Hearts  
Brown Betty  
Bread  
Vanilla Sauce  
Gravy  
Creamed Lima Beans  
Butter  
Coffee

## JANUARY 14

### Breakfast

Bananas  
Pettijohns  
Apple Jelly  
Coffee  
Toast  
Cocoa  
Sugar—Milk  
Butter

### Lunch

Fish Chowder  
Cottage Cheese Salad  
Apple Sauce  
Popovers  
Butter  
Jelly

### Dinner

Reheated Meat Loaf  
Brussel Sprouts  
Bread  
Tomato Sauce  
Hash Brown Potatoes  
Cole Slaw  
Butter  
Milk  
Caramel Pie or Mince Pie  
Coffee

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## JANUARY 15

### Breakfast

Butter	Oatmeal	Oranges	Toast	Cocoa	Sugar—Milk	Rhubarb Conserve
		Coffee				

### Lunch

Cream of Pea Soup		Bread	Croûtons
Scalloped Corn		Tea	Butter
Pineapple Sauce			Milk

### Dinner

Broiled Ham		Celery	Milk Gravy
Boiled Potatoes		Bread	Creamed Carrots
Butter			Coffee
Sliced Bananas			Cream

## JANUARY 16

### Breakfast

	Cornmeal Mush	Apples		Sugar—Milk
	Scrambled Eggs			Bacon
Butter		Toast	Cocoa	Coffee

### Lunch

Creamed Tuna	Fish	Boiled Sweet Potatoes
Butter	Cabbage and Nut Salad	Bread

Cherry Sauce

### Dinner

Broiled Trout		Lemon Sauce
Mashed Potatoes		Creamed Onions
Butter		Bread
	Lettuce Salad	
Cranberry	Pie	Coffee

## JANUARY 17

### Breakfast

	Oatmeal	Stewed Prunes		Sugar—Milk
		Toast		Apple Jelly
Butter		Coffee	Cocoa	

### Lunch

Cream of Potato Soup		Bread	Saltines
Waldorf Salad		Orange Marmalade	
Butter		Milk	

### Dinner

	Lamb Stew with Dumplings	
Mashed Potatoes	Boiled Cabbage with Dressing	
Tomato Relish	Bread	Butter
Banana Custard or Bread Pudding		

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## JANUARY 18. (Sunday)

### Breakfast

#### Baked Apples

Cream of Wheat  
Griddle Cakes  
Bacon  
Cocoa  
Sugar—Milk  
Butter  
Coffee

### Dinner

Fricassee of Chicken  
Creamed Peas  
Mashed Potatoes  
Celery  
Bread  
Butter  
Cranberry Sauce  
Vanilla Ice Cream  
Saltines  
Coffee

### Supper

Shrimp or Salmon Salad  
Salted Peanuts  
Chocolate Cookies  
Butter  
Potato Chips  
Bread  
Milk  
Sliced Oranges with Cocoanut

## JANUARY 19

### Breakfast

#### Bananas

Pettijohns  
Soft Boiled Eggs  
Coffee  
Cocoa  
Butter  
Sugar—Milk  
Bread

### Lunch

Vegetable Soup  
Catsup  
Bread  
Saltines  
Butter  
Baked Beans  
Cabbage and Apple Salad  
Milk

### Dinner

Creamed Chicken  
Creamed Celery  
Baked Potatoes  
Bread  
Lettuce and Pea Salad  
Cream  
Butter  
Vanilla Wafers  
Pineapple Whip  
Coffee

## JANUARY 20

### Breakfast

#### Stewed Prunes

Oatmeal  
Toast  
Coffee  
Cocoa  
Bacon or Sausage  
Butter  
Sugar—Milk

### Lunch

Chicken Soup with Rice  
Egg, Olive and Potato Salad  
Saltines  
Bread  
Milk  
Butter

### Dinner

Boiled Tongue  
Creamed Potatoes  
Tomato Sauce  
Creamed Carrots  
Bread  
Butter  
Asparagus Salad  
Grapefruit  
Coffee

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## JANUARY 21

### Breakfast

Apple Sauce  
 Cornmeal Mush with Raisins'  
 Toast  
 Coffee  
 Cocoa  
 Butter Milk Waffles Syrup

### Lunch

Cream of Tomato Soup  
 Croûtons  
 Bread  
 Scalloped Potatoes  
 Pineapple and Celery Salad  
 Milk  
 Butter  
 Tea

### Dinner

Fried Oysters  
 Catsup  
 Spinach with Egg  
 Potato Chips  
 Creamed Lima Beans  
 Butter  
 Milk  
 Bread  
 Lemon Pie

## JANUARY 22

### Breakfast

Oranges  
 Sugar—Milk  
 Cocoa  
 Cream of Wheat  
 Coffee  
 Milk Toast

### Lunch

Baked Potatoes  
 Bread  
 Creamed Dried Beef  
 Butter  
 Stuffed with Raisins  
 Lettuce Salad  
 Baked Apple  
 Cream  
 Tea

### Dinner

Mashed Potatoes  
 Bread  
 Coffee  
 Broiled Steak  
 Creamed Asparagus  
 Cole Slaw  
 Whipped Cream  
 Butter  
 Fruit Jello

## JANUARY 23

### Breakfast

Bananas  
 Sugar—Milk  
 Cocoa  
 Oatmeal  
 Bacon or Scrambled Eggs  
 Coffee  
 Butter  
 Toast

### Lunch

Saltines  
 Butter  
 Oyster Stew  
 Banana and Nut Salad  
 Honey  
 Milk  
 White Muffins

### Dinner

Creamed Potatoes  
 Butter  
 Creamed Onions or Brussel Sprouts  
 Bread  
 Bread Pudding  
 Coffee  
 Salmon Loaf  
 Celery

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## JANUARY 24

### Breakfast

Stewed Prunes  
 Sugar—Milk  
 Butter Pettijohns Buckwheat Cakes Syrup  
 Coffee Cocoa

### Lunch

Corn Chowder Bread Cabbage and Celery Salad  
 Canned Peaches Butter Cream

### Dinner

Broiled Ham and Eggs  
 Butter Mashed Potatoes Bread  
 Buttered Beets Milk  
 Date Pudding Whipped Cream

## JANUARY 25. (Sunday)

### Breakfast

Baked Apples  
 Sugar—Milk  
 Cream of Wheat Waffles Cocoa  
 Syrup Coffee Butter

### Dinner

Roast Pork Mashed Potatoes  
 Sauerkraut Cranberry Jelly  
 Celery Bread Butter  
 Lemon Sherbet Saltines Coffee

### Supper

Welsh Rarebit on Toast  
 Olives Mixed Nuts  
 Spiced Cake Chocolate

## JANUARY 26

### Breakfast

Bananas  
 Sugar—Milk  
 Butter Pettijohns Toast Grape Conserve  
 Coffee Cocoa

### Lunch

Cream of Celery Soup Saltines  
 Hash Brown Potatoes Bread  
 Frankfurters Mustard Butter  
 Cherry Sauce

### Dinner

Cold Roast Pork Mashed Potatoes  
 Creamed Carrots Spinach with Bacon  
 Tomato Relish Bread Butter  
 Mince Pie or Tapioca Custard  
 Milk Coffee



# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## JANUARY 27

### Breakfast

Stewed Apricots

Oatmeal

Sugar—Milk

Poached Eggs on Toast

Coffee

Cocoa

Butter

### Lunch

Fish Chowder

Waldorf Salad

Italian Spaghetti

Bread

Butter

Milk

### Dinner

Stuffed Beef Heart

Mashed Potatoes

Creamed Cabbage

Butter

Cucumber Pickles

Bread

Chocolate Pie

Coffee

## JANUARY 28

### Breakfast

Apples

Oatmeal

Sugar—Milk

Butter

Waffles

Pork Sausage

Toast

Coffee

Cocoa

### Lunch

Cream of Tomato Soup

Croûtons

White Muffins

Glazed Sweet Potatoes

Butter

Stewed Prunes

Milk

### Dinner

Pork Tenderloin

Milk Gravy

Mashed Potatoes

Creamed Turnips

Pear Salad

Bread

Butter

Cherry Pudding with Sauce

## JANUARY 29

### Breakfast

Oranges

Cream of Wheat

Sugar—Milk

Butter

Bacon

Potato Cakes

Bread

Coffee

Cocoa

### Lunch

Creamed Tuna Fish

Baked Potatoes

Cottage Cheese Salad

Butter

Bread

Tea

Pear Sauce

### Dinner

Meat Pie

Spinach

Creamed Peas

Celery

Bread

Butter

Coffee

Milk

Cottage Pudding

Foamy Sauce

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## JANUARY 30

### Breakfast

Pettijohns      Bananas      Sugar—Milk  
Toast      Strawberry Jam      Butter  
Coffee      Cocoa

### Lunch

Cream of Pea Soup      Saltines  
Ham Omelet      Hash Brown Potatoes  
Butter      Apple Sauce

### Dinner

Lamb Chops      Mashed Potatoes  
Creamed Cabbage      Dill Pickles  
Bread      Coffee      Butter      Milk  
Apricot Sherbet      Oatmeal Cookies  
Brown Betty      or      Hard Sauce

## JANUARY 31

### Breakfast

Oatmeal      Baked Apples      Sugar—Milk  
Soft Boiled Eggs      Toast  
Butter      Coffee      Cocoa

### Lunch

Cream of Corn Soup      Saltines  
Scalloped Potatoes      Cole Slaw  
Butter      Bread

### Dinner

Corn Beef      Boiled Potatoes      Carrots and Cabbage  
Bread      Butter      Chili Sauce      Coffee      Milk  
Lemon Pie

## FEBRUARY 1. (Sunday)

### Dinner

Roast Chicken      Giblet Gravy  
Mashed Potatoes      Stuffing  
Creamed Cauliflower      Bread  
Butter      Celery      Coffee      Milk  
Vanilla Ice Cream      Saltines

### Supper

Oyster Stew      Crackers  
Butter      Nut Bread      Apple Jelly  
Devil's Fruit Cake      Chocolate

## FEBRUARY 2

### Lunch

Cream of Celery Soup      Saltines  
Corn Beef Hash      Waldorf Salad  
Bread      Butter      Milk

### Dinner

Creamed Chicken in Pastry Cases  
Mashed Potatoes      Creamed Peas      Bread  
Butter      Cottage Cheese Salad      Coffee  
Custard Pie

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## FEBRUARY 3

### Lunch

Lima Beans in Casserole	Grapefruit and Celery Salad	Spiced Peaches
Butter	White Muffins	Tea

### Dinner

Liver and Bacon	Baked Potatoes
Butter	Creamed Carrots
Cole Slaw	Bread
Pineapple Sponge	Whipped Cream

## FEBRUARY 4

### Lunch

Cream of Tomato Soup	Croûtons
Scalloped Potatoes	Pea and Carrot Salad
Bread	Butter
Carrot Marmalade	Milk

### Dinner

Asparagus on Toast	Meat Pie	Butter
Raised Biscuits	Spinach	
	Banana and Nut Salad	
	Orange Custard	
	Coffee	

## FEBRUARY 5

### Lunch

Creamed Dried Beef	Lettuce Salad	Boiled Rice
Baking Powder Biscuits	Butter	Honey

### Dinner

Boiled Tongue	Tomato Sauce
Mashed Potatoes	Creamed Onions
Bread	Butter
Chocolate Soufflé	Cream

## FEBRUARY 6

### Lunch

Cream of Potato Soup	Saltines
Cheese Soufflé	Green Onions
Butter	Bread
Apple Sauce	Tea

### Dinner

Broiled Halibut	Lemon Sauce
Glazed Sweet Potatoes	Mixed Pickles
Creamed Cabbage	Butter
	Bread
	Creamed Rice with Dates
	or
Raisin and Cranberry Pie	Cheese

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## FEBRUARY 7

### Lunch

Vegetable Soup			Saltines
Baked Beans	Catsup		Cole Slaw
Bread	Butter	Milk	Tea

### Dinner

Cold Tongue		Creamed Potatoes
Spinach with Bacon	Stewed Tomatoes	
Butter	Coffee	Spiced Currants
Bread		Cream
Caramel Custard		

## FEBRUARY 8 (Sunday)

### Dinner

Roast Lamb		Brown Potatoes
Creamed Celery		Gravy
Waldorf Salad	Currant Jelly	
Coffee	Milk	Bread
Chocolate Ice Cream	Sugar Cookies	

### Supper

Welsh Rarebit on Toast	
Grapefruit and Celery Salad	Orange Marmalade
Bread	Apples
Chocolate	

## FEBRUARY 9

### Lunch

Scalloped Corn		Italian Spaghetti
Cabbage and Nut Salad	Butter	Bread
Canned Peaches		Milk
		Cream

### Dinner

Roast Lamb Reheated in Gravy	
Mashed Potatoes	Creamed Carrots
Lettuce Salad	Butter
Apple Pie	Cheese

## FEBRUARY 10

### Lunch

Oyster Stew		Saltines
Scalloped Apples	Cottage Cheese Salad	
Syrup	Cornmeal Muffins	Butter

### Dinner

Meat Loaf		Tomato Sauce
Creamed Potatoes	Boiled Cabbage with Dressing	
Bread		Butter
Chocolate Custard		Cream

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## FEBRUARY 11

### Lunch

Celery	Creamed Codfish	Bread	Tea	Baked Potatoes	Butter
	Sliced Oranges and	Cocoanut		Oatmeal Cookies	

### Dinner

	Rice and Left-over Meat in	Casserole			
	Glazed Sweet Potatoes			Creamed Parsnips	
Cabbage and Nut Salad	Bread			Butter	Milk
Cottage Pudding	Foamy Sauce			Coffee	

## FEBRUARY 12

### Lunch

Cream of Celery Soup		Saltines
Macaroni and Cheese		
Green Onions		
Stewed Raisins		Cream
Bread		Butter

### Dinner

	Lamb Stew with Dumplings	
	Dill Pickles	
Buttered Beets		Creamed Turnips
Bread	Butter	Milk
	Cherry Pudding with Sauce	

## FEBRUARY 13

### Lunch

	Fish Chowder	
Beet and Cabbage Salad		Butter
Baking Powder Biscuits		Honey

### Dinner

Salmon Loaf		Creamed Potatoes
Bread	Spinach with Egg	
	Coffee	Butter
	Grapefruit	

## FEBRUARY 14

### Lunch

Vegetable Soup		Saltines
	Creamed Salmon on Toast	
Baked Apple		Cream

### Dinner

Lamb Chops		Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Peas		Celery
Butter		Milk
Orange Salad		
	Raised Biscuits	



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## FEBRUARY 15 (Sunday)

### Dinner

Fricassee of Chicken	Mashed Potatoes or Boiled Rice
Creamed Cauliflower	Brussel Sprouts
Bread	Butter
Apricot Sherbet	Milk
	Coffee
	Cranberry Pie

### Supper

Oyster Stew	Saltines	Olives
Sandwiches—Peanut Butter	Pimento Cheese	
Chocolate	Sponge Cake	

## FEBRUARY 16

### Lunch

Chicken Soup with Rice	Saltines
Vegetable Salad (leftovers)	Creamed Lima Beans
Butter	Cranberry Sauce
	White Muffins

### Dinner

Liver and Bacon	Glazed Sweet Potatoes
Creamed Carrots	Cabbage Salad
Bread	Butter
Fruit Jello	Custard Sauce

## FEBRUARY 17

### Lunch

Creamed Dried Beef	Baked Potatoes
Waldorf Salad	Butter
Orange Marmalade	Milk
	Bread

### Dinner

Baked Stuffed Heart	Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Onions	Lettuce Salad
Bread	Butter
Date Pudding	Whipped Cream

## FEBRUARY 18

### Lunch

Cream of Tomato Soup	Croûtons
Stuffed Egg Salad	Scalloped Corn
Bread	Butter
	Pineapple Sauce

### Dinner

Hamburger Layer	Creamed Potatoes
Spinach with Bacon	Cole Slaw
Bread	Coffee
Cherry Pie	Cheese
	Butter

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## FEBRUARY 19

### Lunch

Cream of Potato Soup	Saltines
Rice Soufflé	Watercress Salad
Banana Fritters	Sauce
Bread	Butter

### Dinner

Baked Ham	Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Parsnips	Cabbage and Nut Salad
Bread	Butter
	Lemon Pie
	Milk

## FEBRUARY 20

### Lunch

Creamed Tuna Fish	Boiled Rice
Apple and Raisin Salad	Baking Powder Biscuits
Strawberry Jam	Butter

### Dinner

Baked Stuffed Haddock	Egg Sauce
Mashed Potatoes	Creamed Peas
Pickled Pears	Bread
	Butter
	Orange Custard

## FEBRUARY 21

### Lunch

Cream of Pea Soup	Croûtons
Hash Brown Potatoes	Butter
White Muffins	Cream
Canned Peaches	

### Dinner

Cold Ham	Creamed Potatoes
Baked Squash	Catsup
Banana and Nut Salad	Butter
Rice Pudding with Dates	Coffee
	Cream

## FEBRUARY 22 (Sunday)

Roast Veal	Brown Potatoes
Creamed Cauliflower	Creamed Onions
Celery	Olives
	Bread
	Washington Cream Pie
	Coffee

### Supper

Canned Salmon	Lemon
Butter	Grapefruit and Celery Salad
	Nut Bread
	Chocolate

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## FEBRUARY 23

### Lunch

Baked Beans	Vegetable Soup	Catsup	Saltines
Bread	Butter	Milk	Cole Slaw
			Canned Peaches

### Dinner

Veal Croquettes		Potato Puff
Creamed Carrots	Cucumber	Pickles
Bread	Butter	Coffee
	Banana Cream Pie	Milk

## FEBRUARY 24

### Lunch

Waldorf Salad	Italian Spaghetti
Graham Muffins	Currant Jelly
Milk	Butter

### Dinner

Pork Tenderloin	Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Turnips	Scalloped Apples
Bread	Butter
	Tapioca Custard

## FEBRUARY 25

### Lunch

Cream of Corn Soup		Saltines
Egg, Olive and Potato Salad		
Bread		Butter
	Cranberry Sauce	

### Dinner

Boiled Tongue	Tomato Sauce
Baked Potatoes	Spinach with Egg
Cole Slaw	Butter
Coffee	Milk
Caramel Pie	or Bread Pudding

## FEBRUARY 26

### Lunch

Scalloped Oysters	Apple and Raisin Salad
Bread	Butter
Doughnuts	Coffee

### Dinner

Cold Tongue	Creamed Potatoes
Buttered Beets	Asparagus Salad
Bread	Butter
Brown Betty	Hard Sauce

## FEBRUARY 27

### Lunch

Fish Chowder	Macaroni and Peanut Butter
Cornmeal Muffins	Syrup
Butter	Milk

### Dinner

Salmon Loaf or Roast Pork	Mashed Potatoes
Sauer Kraut	Creamed Onions
Bread	Coffee
	Butter
	Grapefruit

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## FEBRUARY 28

### Lunch

Creamed Dried Beef		Boiled Rice
Raisin Bread		Butter
Banana and Nut Salad		Milk

### Dinner

Cold Roast Pork	or	Salmon Croquettes
Creamed Peas		Boiled Sweet Potatoes
Cole Slaw	Bread	Butter
Prune Whip		Custard Sauce

## MARCH 1. (Sunday)

### Breakfast

Cream of Wheat	Oranges	Sugar—Milk
Waffles	Bacon	Butter
Syrup	Coffee	Cocoa

### Dinner

Roast Beef	Gravy	Brown Potatoes
Creamed Turnips		Creamed Asparagus
Spiced Peaches	Bread	Butter
Vanilla Ice Cream		Saltines

### Supper

Salted Peanuts	Welsh Rarebit on Toast	Layer Cake
	Chocolate	

## MARCH 2

### Breakfast

Oatmeal	Stewed Prunes	Sugar—Milk
Poached Eggs	Toast	Butter
Coffee		Cocoa

### Lunch

Cream of Asparagus Soup		Saltines
Baked Beans	Butter	Catsup
Waldorf Salad	Bread	Milk

### Dinner

Reheated Roast Beef		Mashed Potatoes
Gravy	Creamed Onions	Pepper Relish
Butter	Bread	Coffee
Raisin Pie		Cheese

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## MARCH 3

### Breakfast

Pettijohns	Apple Sauce	Sugar—Milk
Butter	Toast	Orange Marmalade
Coffee		Toast

### Lunch

Macaroni and Cheese	White Muffins	Cole Slaw	Tea
Butter	Pineapple Sauce		

### Dinner

Broiled Ham	Creamed Potatoes	Spinach
Buttered Beets	Butter	
Bread	Cream	
Caramel Custard		

## MARCH 4

### Breakfast

	Bananas	Sugar—Milk
Cream of Wheat	Griddle Cakes	Syrup
Butter		Cocoa
Coffee		

### Lunch

Vegetable Soup	Milk	Saltines	Bread
Glazed Sweet Potatoes	Banana and Nut Salad		
Butter			

### Dinner

	Rice and Meat (leftover) in Casserole	Cucumber Pickles
Creamed Carrots	Raised Biscuits	Strawberry Jam
Butter	Cherry Pudding	Sauce

## MARCH 5

### Breakfast

	Stewed Prunes	Sugar—Milk
Oatmeal		Toast
Bacon or Scrambled Eggs	Cocoa	Butter
Coffee		

### Lunch

Creamed Dried Beef	Baked Potatoes	
Pickled Pears	Baking Powder Biscuits	Milk
Butter	Honey	

### Dinner

Breaded Veal Cutlets	Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Cabbage	Dill Pickles
Bread	Bread Pudding
Butter	



# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## MARCH 6

### Breakfast

Pettijohns	Apples	Sugar—Milk
Butter	Coffee	Cakes
Toast	Potato	Cocoa

### Lunch

Creamed Tuna Fish	Bread	Boiled Rice
Grapefruit and Celery Salad		Butter
Tea		Milk

### Dinner

Broiled Halibut	Butter	Creamed Potatoes
Spinach with Egg	Lemon Pie	Chili Sauce
Bread		Coffee

## MARCH 7

### Breakfast

Oatmeal	Bananas	Sugar—Milk
Cocoa	Toast	Coffee
Omelet		Butter

### Lunch

Cream of Potato Soup	Bread	Saltines
Italian Spaghetti		Butter
Baked Apples		Cream

### Dinner

Meat Loaf	Gravy	Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Onions	Butter	Cole Slaw
Bread		Milk
Brown Betty		Hard Sauce

## MARCH 8. (Sunday)

### Breakfast

Cornmeal Mush	Grapefruit	Sugar—Milk
Butter	Syrup	Coffee
Waffles		Cocoa

### Dinner

Roast Chicken	Stuffing	Giblet Gravy
Creamed Carrots	Bread	Mashed Potatoes
Spiced Peaches		Butter
Fruit Jello	Whipped Cream	

### Supper

Oyster Stew	Egg, Olive and Potato Salad	Crackers
Nut Bread	Butter	Chocolate
	Marshmallows	

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## MARCH 9

### Breakfast

Bananas  
Pettijohns  
Soft Boiled Eggs  
Coffee  
Toast  
Sugar—Milk  
Butter  
Cocoa

### Lunch

Scalloped Potatoes  
Butter  
Banana Fritters  
Cottage Cheese Salad  
Cucumber Pickles  
Bread  
Sauce

### Dinner

Creamed Chicken  
Spinach with Bacon  
Bread  
Date Pudding  
Baked Stuffed Potatoes  
String Bean Salad  
Coffee  
Whipped Cream

## MARCH 10

### Breakfast

Stewed Prunes  
Bacon  
Oatmeal  
Butter  
Toast  
Sugar—Milk  
Coffee  
Cocoa

### Lunch

Chicken Soup with Noodles  
Creamed Peas on Toast  
Bread  
Grapefruit and Celery Salad  
Tea  
Milk  
Saltines  
Butter  
Wafers

### Dinner

Boiled Tongue  
Mashed Potatoes  
Cole Slaw  
Cup Cake  
Bread  
Tomato Sauce  
Creamed Carrots  
Butter  
Foamy Sauce

## MARCH 11

### Breakfast

Pettijohns  
Butter  
Stewed Apricots  
Griddle Cakes  
Toast  
Sugar—Milk  
Pork Sausages  
Coffee  
Cocoa

### Lunch

Cream of Pea Soup  
Lettuce Salad  
Bread  
Apple Sauce  
Croûtons  
Hash Brown Potatoes  
Butter  
Cream

### Dinner

Swiss Steak  
Buttered Beets  
Rice Custard  
Mashed Potatoes  
Butter  
Fried Onions  
Bread  
Cream

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## MARCH 12

### Breakfast

Bananas

Cream of Wheat  
Toast  
Coffee

Cocoa

Sugar—Milk  
Orange Marmalade  
Butter

### Lunch

Vegetable Soup  
Baked Beans  
Butter  
Stewed Apricots

Saltines  
Steamed Brown Bread  
Catsup  
Cream

### Dinner

Cold Tongue  
Creamed Cabbage  
Bread  
Caramel Custard  
Raisin Pie  
Butter  
or

Creamed Potatoes  
Apple and Date Salad  
Coffee  
Cream  
Cheese

## MARCH 13

### Breakfast

Prunes

Oatmeal  
Bacon  
Waffles  
Butter

Sugar—Milk  
Coffee  
Syrup  
Cocoa

### Lunch

Cream of Potato Soup  
Codfish Cakes  
Baking Powder Biscuits  
Milk  
Tea

Saltines  
Catsup  
Honey  
Butter

### Dinner

Salmon Loaf  
Creamed Onions  
Bread  
Chocolate Steamed Pudding

Mashed Potatoes  
Celery  
Butter  
Hard Sauce

## MARCH 14

### Breakfast

Oranges

Cornmeal Mush  
Toast

Butter  
Coffee

Sugar—Milk  
Scrambled Eggs  
Cocoa

### Lunch

Cream of Celery Soup  
Potato Puff  
Bread  
Banana and Nut Salad  
Butter

Saltines  
Spiced Peaches  
Tea

### Dinner

Meat Pie  
Bread  
Lettuce Salad  
Butter  
Prune Whip

Glazed Sweet Potatoes  
Dill Pickles  
Milk  
Custard Sauce  
Coffee

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## MARCH 15. (Sunday)

### Breakfast

Baked Apples  
 Sugar—Milk  
 Waffles      Pettijohns      Syrup      Butter  
                  Coffee      Cocoa

### Dinner

Pot Roast      Brown Potatoes      Gravy  
 Creamed String Beans      Cole Slaw  
 Olives      Bread      Butter      Coffee  
                  Apricot Sherbet      Oatmeal Cookies  
                  or Fruit Jello and Whipped Cream

### Supper

Welsh Rarebit on Toast  
 Salted Peanuts      Butter  
                  Pineapple Salad      Layer Cake  
                  Chocolate

## MARCH 16

### Breakfast

Oranges      Sugar—Milk  
 Cream of Wheat      Toast  
                  Omelet or Bacon      Butter  
                  Coffee      Cocoa

### Lunch

Vegetable Soup      Saltines  
                  Waldorf Salad      Bread  
                  Butter      Milk  
                  Cake (left from Sunday)

### Dinner

Pot Roast Reheated in Gravy  
 Mashed Potatoes      Rhubarb Conserve      Creamed Turnips  
                  Green Onions      Bread      Butter  
                  Lemon Pie

## MARCH 17

### Breakfast

Apples      Sugar—Milk  
                  Oatmeal      Butter      Cocoa  
                  Potato Cakes      Toast  
 Apple Jelly      Coffee

### Lunch

Cream of Tomato Soup      Croûtons  
 Creamed Tuna Fish      Boiled Rice  
                  Bread      Tea      Butter  
                  Sliced Oranges and Shredded Coconut

### Dinner

Hamburger Layer      Mashed Potatoes  
                  Creamed Cabbage      Gravy      Coffee  
 Butter      Celery      Bread      Cheese Crackers  
                  Waldorf Salad

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## MARCH 18

### Breakfast

Stewed Prunes

Cornmeal Mush  
Griddle Cakes

Coffee Syrup Cocoa

Sugar—Milk  
Butter

### Lunch

Corn Chowder

Macaroni and Cheese  
Cole Slaw

Butter  
Nut Cookies

Bread Milk

### Dinner

Veal Cutlets in Casserole

Creamed Potatoes  
Watercress Salad

Buttered Beets  
Bread

Butter  
Chocolate Bread Pudding

## MARCH 19

Bananas

Cream of Wheat  
Toast  
Butter

Sugar—Milk  
Strawberry Jam  
Cocoa

### Lunch

Egg, Olive and Potato Salad  
Butter

Gingerbread

Canned Peaches

Cream Milk

### Dinner

Reheated Veal Cutlets  
Creamed Onions

Mashed Potatoes  
Chili Sauce

Butter Asparagus Salad

Washington Cream Pie

Bread

## MARCH 20

### Breakfast

Oranges

Pettijohns  
Soft Boiled Eggs

Coffee Toast Cocoa

Sugar—Milk  
Butter

### Lunch

Italian Spaghetti  
Apple and Raisin Salad  
Tea

Bread

Scalloped Corn  
Butter

Rhubarb Sauce

### Dinner

Broiled Halibut  
Spinach  
Coffee  
Dill Pickle

Bread  
Apple Pie

Creamed Potatoes  
Stewed Tomatoes  
Butter  
Cheese



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## MARCH 21

### Breakfast

Stewed Prunes

Oatmeal  
Toast  
Bacon or Poached Eggs  
Butter  
Coffee  
Sugar—Milk  
Cocoa

### Lunch

Cream of Tomato Soup  
Scalloped Potatoes  
Saltines  
Chow-Chow

Cabbage and Nut Salad

Butter

Bread

### Dinner

Lamb Chops  
Creamed Carrots  
Celery  
Chocolate Custard  
Baked Stuffed Potatoes  
Currant Jelly  
Butter  
Sugar Cookies

## MARCH 22. (Sunday)

### Breakfast

Apples

Cream of Wheat  
Toast  
Coffee  
Carrot Marmalade  
Cocoa  
Sugar—Milk  
Butter

### Dinner

Broiled Steak  
Creamed Cabbage  
Grapefruit and Celery Salad  
Butter  
Vanilla Ice Cream  
Mashed Potatoes  
Olives  
Bread  
Chocolate Sauce

Saltines

### Supper

Tuna Fish Salad  
Grape Conserve  
Chocolate  
Sugar Cookies  
Nut-Bread  
Butter

## MARCH 23

### Breakfast

Bananas

Oatmeal  
Butter  
Coffee  
Griddle Cakes  
Milk  
Cocoa  
Syrup

### Lunch

Creamed Dried Beef  
Cole Slaw  
Butter  
Baked Potatoes  
White Muffins  
Tea

### Dinner

Stuffed Beef Heart  
Creamed Onions  
Mixed Pickle  
Tapioca Cream  
Bread  
Glazed Sweet Potatoes  
Buttered Beets  
Butter  
Coffee

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## MARCH 24

### Breakfast

Prunes

Pettijohns  
Bacon or Scrambled Eggs  
Coffee

Sugar—Milk  
Butter  
Toast

### Lunch

Cream of Pea Soup  
Scalloped Potatoes  
Banana and Nut Salad

Croûtons  
Graham Muffins

### Dinner

Roast Pork  
Sauer Kraut  
Cabbage and Beet Salad  
Butter  
Gravy  
Cucumber Pickles  
Mashed Potatoes  
Coffee  
Bread  
Lemon Pie

## MARCH 25

Oranges

Cream of Wheat  
Milk Toast

Sugar—Milk  
Cocoa

### Lunch

Cream of Potato Soup  
Macaroni and Cheese  
Bread  
Baked Apple Stuffed with Raisins  
Cream

Saltines  
Spiced Currants  
Butter

### Dinner

Roast Pork Reheated in Gravy  
Creamed Potatoes  
Green Onions  
Prune Whip with Custard Sauce  
Spinach with Bacon  
Butter

## MARCH 26

### Breakfast

Bananas

Oatmeal  
Waffles

Syrup  
Coffee  
Milk—Sugar  
Cocoa  
Butter

### Lunch

Baked Beans  
Catsup  
Milk  
Canned Peaches

Cole Slaw  
Cornmeal Muffins  
Butter  
Cream

### Dinner

Meat Pie  
Buttered Turnips  
Bread  
Cherry Pudding  
Butter  
Creamed Onions  
Radishes  
Coffee  
Sauce

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## MARCH 27

### Breakfast

Stewed Prunes  
 Pettijohns  
 Creamed Eggs on Toast  
 Coffee  
 Sugar—Milk  
 Cocoa  
 Butter

### Lunch

Fish Chowder  
 Spaghetti and Tomatoes  
 Tea  
 Butter  
 Rhubarb Sauce  
 Bread

### Dinner

Salmon Croquettes with Creamed Peas  
 Mashed Potatoes  
 Olives  
 Bread  
 Apple Tapioca  
 Cream  
 Spinach  
 Butter

## MARCH 28

### Breakfast

Apples  
 Cream of Wheat  
 Sausage  
 Butter  
 Toast  
 Sugar—Milk  
 Coffee  
 Cocoa

### Lunch

Vegetable Soup  
 Scalloped Corn  
 Bread  
 Saltines  
 Green Onions  
 Butter

Banana and Nut Salad

### Dinner

Broiled Ham  
 Milk Gravy  
 Coffee  
 Celery  
 Pineapple Sauce  
 Baked Potatoes  
 Creamed Lima Beans  
 Bread  
 Butter

## MARCH 29. (Sunday)

### Breakfast

Grapefruit  
 Cornmeal Mush with Raisins  
 Toast  
 Butter  
 Coffee  
 Orange Marmalade  
 Cocoa  
 Milk

### Dinner

Mashed Potatoes or Boiled Rice  
 Fricassee of Chicken  
 Creamed New Asparagus  
 Lettuce Salad  
 Coffee  
 Bread  
 Fruit Jello  
 Whipped Cream  
 Radishes  
 Butter

### Supper

Egg, Olive and Potato Salad  
 Sandwiches { Peanut Butter  
 { Pimento Cheese  
 Devil's Food Cake  
 Milk  
 Tea

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## MARCH 30

### Breakfast

Oatmeal	Oranges	Sugar—Milk
Bacon	Toast	Butter
Coffee	Cocoa	

### Lunch

Cream of Celery Soup	Saltines
Potato Puff	Lima Beans in Casserole
Bread	Butter
Stewed Prunes and Apricots	

### Dinner

Pork Tenderloin	Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Carrots	Green Onions
Bread	Milk
Brown Betty	Foamy Sauce

## MARCH 31

### Breakfast

Pettijohns	Bananas	Sugar—Milk
Coffee	Poached Eggs on Toast	Butter
	Cocoa	

### Lunch

Chicken Soup with Rice	Bread
Scalloped Potatoes	Butter
Cole Slaw	
Apple Fritters	Sauce

### Dinner

Veal Stew with Dumplings	Buttered Beets
Spinach with Bacon	Butter
Chili Sauce	
Milk	Bread
	Orange Custard

## APRIL 1. (Thursday)

### Lunch

Cream of Potato Soup	Saltines
Waldorf Salad	White Muffins
Honey	Butter
Milk	

### Dinner

Pot Roast	Brown Potatoes	Creamed Onions
Mixed Pickles	Gravy	Bread
Coffee	Butter	Chocolate Bread Pudding

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## APRIL 2

### Lunch

Welsh Rarebit on Toast	Bread
Pincapple Salad	Butter
Creamed Rice with Raisins	Cream

### Dinner

Baked Shad	Butter	Lemon Sauce
Mashed Potatoes	Radishes	Creamed Peas
Bread	Washington Cream Pie	Milk

## APRIL 3

### Lunch

Cream of Pea Soup	Croûtons
Scalloped Potatoes	Green Onions
Bread	Butter
Rhubarb Sauce	

### Dinner

Reheated Pot Roast in Gravy	Baked Potatoes
Creamed Asparagus	Lettuce Salad
Bread	Butter
Banana Custard	Coffee
	Gingerbread

## APRIL 4. (Sunday)

### Dinner

Roast Veal	Brown Potatoes
Spinach	Gravy
Bread	Coffee
Butter	Creamed Lima Beans
Vanilla Ice Cream	Olives
Saltines	Caramel Sauce

### Supper

Oyster Stew or Clam Chowder	Cheese Straws
Salmon and Orange Salad	Bread
Mint Patties	
Butter	Lemonade

## APRIL 5

### Lunch

Cream of Tomato Soup	Croûtons
Baked Beans	Cabbage Salad
Bread	Milk
Butter	
Stewed Prunes	

### Dinner

Rice and Veal in Casserole	Radishes
Creamed Carrots	Bread
Watercress Salad	Butter
Pineapple Sponge	Cream
Coffee	

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## APRIL 6

### Lunch

Creamed Dried Beef  
Cucumber Pickles  
Graham Muffins  
Sliced Bananas

Baked Potatoes  
Butter  
Milk  
Cream

### Dinner

Baked Ham  
Sauer Kraut  
Bread  
Date Pudding

Creamed Potatoes  
Lettuce Salad  
Butter  
Whipped Cream

## APRIL 7

### Lunch

Cream of Corn Soup  
Scalloped Potatoes  
Bread

Saltines  
Cole Slaw  
Butter  
Canned Peaches  
Cream

### Dinner

Cold Ham  
Creamed Peas  
Watercress Salad  
Catsup  
Bread  
Banana Cream Pie

Mashed Potatoes  
Coffee  
Butter

## APRIL 8

### Lunch

Creamed Ham  
Orange Salad  
Baking Powder Biscuits  
Bread

Boiled Rice or Baked Potatoes  
Milk  
Honey

### Dinner

Hamburger Layer  
Creamed Fresh Asparagus  
Bread  
Chocolate Soufflé  
Butter

Glazed Sweet Potatoes  
Coffee  
Creamy Sauce  
Olives

## APRIL 9

### Lunch

Waldorf Salad  
Rice Pudding with Dates  
Fish Chowder  
Bread

Butter  
Cream

### Dinner

Salmon Loaf  
Spinach with Egg  
Bread  
Jello with Custard Sauce

Mashed Potatoes  
Green Onions  
Butter  
Spice Cookies



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## APRIL 10

### Lunch

Vegetable Soup		Saltines	
Pickled Pigs Feet or Frankfurters			Milk
Potato Cakes	Bread	Butter	
Sliced Oranges with	Cocoanut		

### Dinner

Boiled Tongue		Tomato Sauce	
Baked Stuffed Potatoes		Creamed String Beans	
Coffee	Radishes	Bread	Butter
Cherry Pudding		Sauce	

## APRIL 11. (Sunday)

### Dinner

Roast Beef	Gravy	Mashed Potatoes	
Creamed Fresh Asparagus		Cucumber Pickles	
Bread	Butter	Coffee	Milk
Chocolate Ice Cream		Saltines	

### Supper

Tongue Sandwiches		Lettuce and Radish Salad	
Cheese Sandwiches		Apricot Sauce	
Spice Cookies		Chocolate	

## APRIL 12

### Lunch

Cream of Tomato Soup		Croûtons	
Egg, Olive and Potato Salad			
Bread	Butter		Cole Slaw
	Rhubarb Sauce		

### Dinner

Baked Potatoes	Roast Beef Reheated in Gravy		
Green Onions		Creamed Lima Beans	
	Bread	Butter	
	Grapefruit		

## APRIL 13

### Lunch

Vegetable Soup		Saltines	
Creamed Peas on Toast			Milk
Butter	Ginger Bread		Coffee
	Cherry Sauce		

### Dinner

Liver and Bacon		Creamed Potatoes	
Creamed Onions		Chili Sauce or Radishes	
Bread		Butter	
Brown Betty		Hard Sauce	

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## APRIL 14

### Lunch

Creamed Eggs on Toast	Butter	
Cabbage and Nut Salad		Milk
Cornmeal Muffins	Syrup	

### Dinner

	Lamb Stew with Dumplings	
Creamed Carrots		Lettuce and Onion Salad
Raisin Bread	Coffee	Butter
Apricot Sherbet or Apricot Fluff	with Custard Sauce	
White Cake		

## APRIL 15

### Lunch

Cream of Potato Soup		Saltines
Mustard Sardines		Scalloped Corn
Bread		Butter
Rhubarb Conserve or Apple Jelly		

### Dinner

Swiss Steak		Fried Onions
Mashed Potatoes	Spinach	Lettuce Salad
Bread	Butter	Milk
Orange Custard		Vanilla Wafers

## APRIL 16

### Lunch

Salmon Croquettes		Creamed Peas
	Radishes or Cucumber Pickles	
Cole Slaw	Bread	Butter
	Banana and Nut Salad	

### Dinner

Broiled Halibut		Egg Sauce
Mashed Potatoes		Buttered Beets
Cottage Cheese Salad		Bread
Butter	Milk	Coffee
	Lemon Pie	

## APRIL 17

### Lunch

Corn Chowder

Italian Spaghetti		Pear Salad
Bread	Butter	

### Dinner

Meat Loaf		Potato Puff
Creamed Cabbage		Radishes
Bread	Butter	Milk
Prune Fluff		Cream

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## APRIL 18 (Sunday)

### Dinner

Fricassee of Chicken	Mashed Potatoes or Boiled Rice
Creamed New Asparagus	Spiced Peaches
Watercress Salad	Bread
Vanilla Ice Cream	Chocolate Sauce
Coffee	Saltines

### Supper

Nut Bread	Shrimp Salad or Kidney Bean Salad	Butter	Salted Peanuts
Fruit Cake			Chocolate

## APRIL 19

### Lunch

Cabbage Salad	Macaroni and Cheese	Stewed Tomatoes
Bread		Butter
	Baked Apple—Cream	

### Dinner

Corn Beef Hash	Spinach with Egg
Raised Biscuits	Butter
Orange Marmalade	Coffee
Rhubarb Pie	Cheese

## APRIL 20

### Lunch

Rice Croquettes	Chicken Soup with Noodles	Kipperd Herring
Bread		Butter
	Milk	
	Doughnuts	

### Dinner

Hamburger Layer	Creamed Potatoes
String Bean Salad	Creamed Peas
Bread	Butter
Cottage Pudding	Foamy Sauce

## APRIL 21

### Lunch

Cream of Tomato Soup	Saltines
Scalloped Potatoes	Watercress and Onion Salad
Bread	Butter
	Rhubarb Sauce

### Dinner

Stuffed Spare Ribs	Creamed Potatoes
Sauer Kraut	Cottage Cheese and Olive Salad
Milk	Bread
Steamed Fruit Cake (leftover)	Butter
	Creamy Sauce

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## APRIL 22

### Lunch

Welsh Rarebit on Toast  
Cabbage and Nut Salad  
Sliced Bananas  
Milk  
Cream  
Butter

### Dinner

Meat Pie  
Lettuce and Onion Salad  
Baked Stuffed Potatoes  
Raised Biscuits  
Coffee  
Apple Jelly  
Milk  
Creamed Rice with Dates  
Butter  
Cream

## APRIL 23

### Lunch

Potato Salad  
Butter  
Codfish Cakes or Mustard Sardines  
Radishes  
Milk  
Bread  
Stewed Prunes  
Cream

### Dinner

Baked Shad  
Stewed Tomatoes  
Bread  
Caramel Custard  
Butter  
French Fried Potatoes  
Buttered Beets  
Coffee  
Cream

## APRIL 24

### Lunch

Cream of Potato Soup  
Banana and Nut Salad  
Cucumber Pickle  
Cornmeal Muffins  
Saltines  
Scalloped Cabbage  
Butter

### Dinner

Lamb Chops  
Spinach with Egg  
Butter  
Mashed Potatoes  
Bread  
Watercress Salad  
Grapefruit

## APRIL 25 (Sunday)

### Dinner

Pot Roast  
Brown Potatoes  
Gravy  
Pear Salad  
Creamed New Asparagus  
Butter  
Vanilla Ice Cream  
Saltines  
Chocolate Sauce

### Supper

Soft Boiled Eggs  
Olive  
Chocolate  
White Cake  
Nut Bread  
Butter  
Marshmallows

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## APRIL 26

### Lunch

Cream of Asparagus Soup	Saltines
Italian Spaghetti	Cole Slaw or Lettuce Salad
Bread	Butter
Rhubarb Sauce	

### Dinner

Stuffed Beef Heart	Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Onions	Butter
Chili Sauce	Radishes
Washington Cream Pie	

## APRIL 27

### Lunch

Cream of Corn Soup	Saltines
Scalloped Potatoes	Radishes
Gingerbread	Milk
Coffee	

### Dinner

Pot Roast Reheated in Gravy	
Baked Potatoes	Creamed Carrots
Green Onions	Butter
Bread	
Lemon Pie	

## APRIL 28

### Lunch

Vegetable Soup	Saltines
Banana and Nut Salad	White Muffins
Milk	Butter
Orange Marmalade	

### Dinner

Breaded Pork Chops	Mashed Potatoes
Sauer Kraut	Watercress Salad
Bread	Coffee
Pineapple Sponge	Cream
Butter	

## APRIL 29

### Lunch

Egg, Olive and Potato Salad	
Rhubarb Conserve	Butter
Canned Pears	Cream

### Dinner

Swiss Steak	Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Peas	Green Onions
Bread	Coffee
Prune Fluff	Custard Sauce
Butter	

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## APRIL 30

### Lunch

Potato Cakes	Creamed Tuna Fish	Toast
Milk		Lettuce and Orange Salad
	Bread	Butter
	Oatmeal Cookies	

### Dinner

Egg Sauce	Broiled Shad	Creamed Potatoes
Bread		Buttered Beets
	Cole Slaw	Coffee
	Butter	Foamy Sauce
	Cottage Pudding	

## MAY 1 (Saturday)

### Lunch

Watercress and Cottage Butter	Boiled Rice	Cheese Salad	Cheese Sauce
		Graham Muffins	Pineapple Sauce
			Milk

### Dinner

Scalloped Tomatoes	Broiled Ham	Milk Gravy	Mashed Potatoes
Bread		Butter	Green Onions
		Custard Pie	Coffee

## May 2 (Sunday)

### Dinner

Roast Lamb	Brown Potatoes	Gravy
Creamed New Asparagus		
Lettuce Salad	Bread	Mint Sauce
Vanilla Ice Cream		Butter
Chocolate Sauce		Coffee
		Saltines

### Supper

Canned Salmon	Lemon
Sandwiches (Peanut Butter, Chocolate)	Cream Cheese
Fresh Strawberries	Cocoanut Cake
	Cream

## MAY 3

### Lunch

Creamed Dried Beef		Baked Potatoes
Green Onions		Butter
Cake (leftover)	Bread	Rhubarb Sauce

### Dinner

Lamb Croquettes	Tomato Sauce	Buttered New Potatoes
Spinach with Egg		Raisin Bread
Milk	Butter	Coffee
Raisin Pie		Cheese



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## MAY 4

### Lunch

Cream of Potato Soup	Saltines
Tuna Fish Salad	Corn Bread
Butter	Syrup
Fresh Pineapple Sauce	

### Dinner

Breaded Veal Cutlets	Creamed Potatoes
Creamed Carrots	Lettuce or Watercress Salad
Bread	Butter
Caramel Custard	Cream

## MAY 5

### Lunch

Egg, Olive and Potato Salad	
Orange Marmalade	Graham Muffins
Bread	Saltines
Milk	
Creamed Rice with Dates	

### Dinner

Liver and Bacon	Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Peas	Cabbage Salad
Bread	Coffee
Butter	Cream
Pineapple Sponge	

## MAY 6

### Lunch

Cream of Pea Soup	Croûtons
Scalloped Corn	Butter
Banana	
Bread	
and Nut Salad	
Spiced Cookies	Milk

### Dinner

Meat Pie	Creamed Onions
Boiled Cabbage with Dressing	Butter
Raised Biscuits	Radishes
Chocolate Soufflé	Creamy Sauce

## MAY 7

### Lunch

Fish Chowder	
Bread	Butter
Orange Marmalade	
Deviled Egg Salad	Milk
Tea	

### Dinner

Baked Haddock	Creamed Potatoes
Cole Slaw	Bread
Butter	Coffee
Lemon	
Creamed Peas	
Chocolate Pie	

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## MAY 8

### Lunch

Vegetable Soup      Saltines  
Baked Beans      Bread  
Butter      Catsup      Green Onions  
Sliced Oranges and Shredded Cocoanut

### Dinner

Lamb Chops      Mashed Potatoes  
Creamed Lima Beans      Watercress Salad  
Radishes      Bread      Butter      Milk  
Spanish Cream      Saltines

## MAY 9. (Sunday)

### Dinner

Broiled Steak      Baked Potatoes  
Creamed Asparagus      Celery  
Bread      Butter      Lettuce Salad  
Vanilla Ice Cream      Fresh Strawberries  
Chocolate Cake  
Coffee

### Supper

Welsh Rarebit on Toast  
Olives      Radishes      Nut-Bread  
Butter      Milk or Chocolate  
Fresh Pineapple

## MAY 10

### Lunch

Cream of Asparagus Soup      Saltines  
Potato Puff      Frankfurters      Mustard  
Baking Powder Biscuits      Honey  
Butter      Milk

### Dinner

Broiled Ham      Mashed Potatoes  
Milk Gravy      Spinach      Bread  
Grapefruit and Celery Salad      Butter  
Cake (Left Over)  
Coffee

## MAY 11

### Lunch

Mustard Sardines      Scalloped Potatoes  
Watercress and Cottage Cheese Salad  
Milk      Butter      Bread  
Rhubarb Sauce      Spice Cookies

### Dinner

Liver and Bacon      Creamed Potatoes  
Buttered Beets      Dill Pickles      Lettuce Salad      Bread  
Butter      Radishes  
Strawberry Shortcake or Banana Custard

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## MAY 12

### Lunch

	Cream of Potato Soup	Saltines
	Italian Spaghetti	Butter
Milk	Gingerbread	Prune Sauce

### Dinner

	Veal Birds	Mashed Potatoes
	Cream String Beans	Lettuce Salad
Bread		Coffee
	Apple Pie	Cheese

## MAY 13

### Lunch

	Cream of Tomato Soup	Croûtons
Scalloped Corn		Green Onions
	Banana and Nut Salad	White Muffins
	Butter	

### Dinner

	Beef Stew	Mashed Potatoes
	Spinach with Bacon	Raised Biscuits
Milk		Cucumber Pickles
	Prune Fluff with Custard	Sugar Cookies
	Butter	
	Sauce	

## MAY 14

### Lunch

	Creamed Tuna	Fish or Finnan Haddie
Baked Potatoes		Lettuce and Onion Salad
Milk		Butter
	Banana Fritters	Sauce

### Dinner

	Salmon Loaf	Creamed Potatoes
	Creamed Asparagus	Dill Pickles
Bread		Butter
	Steamed Chocolate Pudding	Creamy Sauce
	Coffee	

## MAY 15

### Lunch

	Corn Chowder	
	Hash Brown Potatoes	
Bread		Butter
	Canned Peaches	Cream

### Dinner

	Breaded Pork Chops	Baked Stuffed Potatoes
	Boiled Cabbage with Dressing	Green Onions
Bread		Coffee
	Whipped Cream	Cake or Tapioca Custard
	Butter	

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## MAY 16 (Sunday)

### Dinner

Fricassee of Chicken	Boiled Rice or Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Peas	Lettuce Salad
Olives	Butter
Bread	Coffee
Strawberry Ice Cream	Saltines

### Supper

Nut Bread	Egg, Olive and Potato Salad	Chocolate
Marshmallows	Butter	
	Salted Peanuts	

## MAY 17

### Lunch

Vegetable Soup	Saltines
Cheese Soufflé	Cole Slaw
Bread	Milk
	Butter
	Fresh Pineapple

### Dinner

Boiled Tongue	Tomato Sauce	Baked Potatoes
Creamed String Beans		Radishes
Bread	Butter	Coffee
Rhubarb Pie	Cheese	

## MAY 18

### Lunch

Chicken Soup with Noodles	Saltines
Kipperd Herring on Toast or Creamed Eggs	
Butter	Green Onions
Apple Sauce or Strawberries	White Muffins
	Cream

### Dinner

Cold Tongue	Creamed New Potatoes
Spinach with Egg	Watercress Salad
Bread	Milk
Butter	Coffee
Apricot Fluff	Custard Sauce

## MAY 19

### Lunch

Creamed Dried Beef	Baked Potatoes
Cornmeal Muffins	Syrup
Mixed Pickles	Butter
Sliced Oranges with Shredded	Cocoanut

### Dinner

Pot Roast	Gravy	Brown Potatoes
Horse Radish		Creamed Onions
Bread	Butter	Milk
Caramel Custard		Cream

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## MAY 20

### Lunch

Cream of Corn Soup		Saltines
Mexican Beans		Lettuce Salad
	Bread	
Apple Sauce	Butter	Green Onions

### Dinner

Pot Roast Reheated in Gravy		Buttered New Potatoes
Scalloped Cabbage		Lettuce Salad
Bread	Butter	Milk
Spiced Pears	Banana Cream Pie	

## MAY 21

### Lunch

Creamed Codfish		Potato Puff
Cucumber Pickles	Bread	Butter
French Toast		Syrup

### Dinner

Broiled Trout	Lemon Sauce	Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Asparagus		Cole Slaw
Bread	Butter	Coffee
Bread Pudding		Saltines

## MAY 22

### Lunch

Cream of Tomato Soup		Saltines
Scalloped Potatoes		Frankfurters
Mustard	Bread	Butter
	Banana and Nut Salad	

### Dinner

Meat Pie		Creamed Peas
Buttered String Beans	Lettuce Salad	Radishes
Bread	Butter	Milk
Strawberry Short Cake		

## MAY 23. (Sunday)

### Dinner

Roast Pork	Gravy	Brown Potatoes
Spinach	Sauer Kraut	Bread
Butter		Milk
Pineapple Sponge		Coffee

### Supper

Cream of Potato Soup		Saltines
Stuffed Egg Salad		Nut Bread
Lemonade	Chocolate Drop Cookies	

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## MAY 24

### Lunch

Vegetable Soup		Saltines
Scalloped Corn		Lettuce and Radish Salad
Bread	Butter	Milk
Creamed Rice with Dates		Cream

### Dinner

Cold Roast Pork		Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Onions		Chili Sauce
Raised Biscuits	Butter	Coffee
Chocolate Soufflé		Creamy Sauce

## MAY 25

### Lunch

Salmon Croquettes		Creamed Peas
Bread	Butter	Tomato and Onion Salad
Rhubarb Sauce		Spice Cookies or Doughnuts

### Dinner

Veal Stew with Dumplings		Creamed Carrots
Cole Slaw	Bread	Butter
Cherry Pudding		Milk
		Sauce

## MAY 26

### Lunch

Cream of Pea Soup		Croûtons
Macaroni and Cheese		Cucumber Pickles
Salted Peanuts	Butter	Bread
	Fresh Pineapple	

### Dinner

	Stuffed Round Steak	
Creamed New Potatoes		Buttered Asparagus
Milk	Coffee	Bread
Fruit Jello		Whipped Cream
		Butter

## MAY 27

### Lunch

Cream of Tomato Soup		Croûtons
Scrambled Eggs and Dried Beef		Bread
Butter		Hash Brown Potatoes
Cherry Sauce		Saltines

### Dinner

Pork Tenderloin	Milk Gravy	Buttered New Potatoes
Creamed String Beans		Lettuce Salad
Bread		Butter
Orange Custard		Cream



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## MAY 28

### Lunch

Tuna Fish Salad		Corn-bread
Strawberry Jam	Milk	Butter
Banana Fritters		Sauce

### Dinner

Shad Roe with Bacon	or Baked Haddock with Stuffing
Mashed Potatoes	Watercress and Cottage Cheese Salad
Butter	Milk
Bread	Coffee
Strawberry Short Cake	

## MAY 29

### Lunch

Baked Beans	Corn Chowder	Steamed Brown Bread
Butter	Catsup	Milk
	Pear Sauce	

### Dinner

Meat Pie		Creamed Onions
Asparagus Salad	Bread	Butter
Coffee		Dill Pickles
Tapioca Custard		

## MAY 30 (Sunday)

### Dinner

Fried Spring Chicken		Mashed Potatoes
Spinach	Milk Gravy	Radishes
Bread	Butter	Olives
Vanilla Ice Cream	Coffee	
Angel Food Cake	Caramel Sauce	

### Supper

	Welsh Rarebit on Toast	
Banana and Nut Salad		Nut Bread
Butter		Lemonade
Cocoanut Cookies		

## MAY 31

### Lunch

Italian Spaghetti		Cole Slaw
Kidney Bean Salad		Butter
Milk	Baking Powder Biscuits	Honey

### Dinner

Meat Loaf or Swiss Steak		Creamed New Potatoes
Buttered Beets	Bread	Butter
Watercress Salad		Coffee
Bread Pudding		
Strawberry Short Cake		Whipped Cream

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## JUNE 1 (Tuesday)

### Lunch

Scalloped Salmon		Fried Rice
Lettuce Salad		Milk
Butter	White Muffins	
	Strawberry Jam	

### Dinner

Liver and Bacon	Creamed New Potatoes	
Boiled Cabbage with Dressing		Bread
Green Onions		Butter
Rhubarb Pie	Coffee	Cheese

## JUNE 2

### Lunch

Cream of Tomato Soup		Croûtons
Potato Salad		Green Onions
Bread	Butter	Ice Tea
	Fresh Pineapple	

### Dinner

Breaded Veal Cutlets		Mashed Potatoes
Beet Greens	Radishes	Bread
Butter		Milk
Chocolate Custard		Cream

## JUNE 3

### Lunch

Cheese Soufflé		Scalloped Tomatoes
Bread		Butter
Cherry Sauce		Doughnuts

### Dinner

Stuffed Beef Heart		Baked Potatoes
Creamed String Beans		Lettuce Salad
Bread	Butter	Milk
Cornstarch Pudding with Fresh Crushed Strawberries		Cream

## JUNE 4

### Lunch

Rice and Cheese Croquettes with Tomato Sauce		
Watercress Salad		
Bread	Butter	Milk
	Sliced Bananas	Cream
		Ice Tea

### Dinner

Fried Perch		Creamed Potatoes
Buttered Beets	Green Onions	Orange Salad
Bread	Butter	Coffee
Cottage Pudding		Foamy Sauce

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## JUNE 5

### Lunch

Baked Beans	Vegetable Soup	Catsup	Saltines	Bread
Butter		Fresh Pineapple Salad		
		Cheese Crackers		

### Dinner

Milk Gravy	Broiled Ham	Mashed Potatoes	
Lettuce Salad		Creamed Peas	
Milk		Butter	
		Bread	
		Lemon Pie	

## JUNE 6 (Sunday)

### Dinner

Roast Lamb	Brown Potatoes	Mint Sauce
Creamed Asparagus	Lettuce Salad	Beet Greens
Bread	Butter	Radishes
	Strawberry Ice Cream	
Saltines	Coffee	

### Supper

Soft Boiled Eggs	Bread	Butter
Banana and Nut Salad		Iced Tea
Cocoanut Cake		

## JUNE 7

### Lunch

Cream of Asparagus Soup	Saltines
Scalloped Potatoes	Cole Slaw
Graham Muffins	Butter
	Currant Jelly

### Dinner

Lamb Reheated in Gravy	Baked Potatoes
Creamed Onions	Tomato and Onion Salad
Bread	Milk
	Butter
	Tapioca Cream

## JUNE 8

### Lunch

Potato Puff	Lettuce Salad	Mexican Beans
Bread		Butter
Banana Fritters		Sauce

### Dinner

Boiled Tongue	Mashed Potatoes	Bread
Tomato Sauce	Spinach	
Butter	Milk	Radishes
Pineapple Sherbet or Pineapple Whip		

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## JUNE 9

### Lunch

Creamed Dried Beef	Boiled Rice
Cabbage and Nut Salad	Iced Tea
Baking Powder Biscuits	Honey
	Butter

### Dinner

Cold Tongue	Creamed Potatoes
Beet Greens	Chili Sauce
Butter	Lettuce and Onion Salad
	Bread
	Strawberry Short Cake

## JUNE 10

### Lunch

Cream of Potato Soup	Saltines
Macaroni and Cheese	Salad (greens left over)
Bread	Iced Chocolate
Rhubarb Sauce	Nut Cookies
	Butter

### Dinner

	Veal Stew with Dumplings
Creamed Asparagus	Tomato Salad
Raised Biscuits	Butter
	Banana Cream Pie
	Coffee

## JUNE 11

### Lunch

Tuna Fish Salad	Cucumber Pickles
Corn Bread	Butter
Cup Cake	Milk
	Foamy Sauce

### Dinner

Salmon Cutlets	Buttered Potatoes
Creamed Peas	Radishes
Watercress Salad	Butter
	Coffee
	Bread
	Bread Pudding

## JUNE 12

### Lunch

Scalloped Potatoes	Mustard Sardines
Date and Nut Salad	Bread
Butter	Syrup
	French Toast

### Dinner

Hamburger Layer	Creamed Potatoes
Creamed String Beans	Butter
Milk	Bread
	Iced Tea
Prune Whip	Custard Sauce
	Olives

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## JUNE 13 (Sunday)

### Dinner

Fricassee of Chicken	Mashed Potatoes
Spinach	Tomato Salad
Butter	Coffee
Vanilla Ice Cream	Saltines
	Chocolate Sauce
	Bread

### Supper

Shrimp Salad	or	Potato Salad	
Salted Peanuts	Butter		Nut Bread
Lemonade		Layer Cake	

## JUNE 14

### Lunch

Chicken Soup with Noodles	Saltines
Creamed Eggs on Toast	Radishes
Butter	Cherry Sauce
	Iced Tea

### Dinner

Swiss Steak	Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Lima Beans	Spinach
Bread	Milk
Black Raspberries	Cream
	Butter

## JUNE 15

### Lunch

Cream of Potato Soup	Saltines
Rice with Cheese and Tomatoes	Bread
Waldorf Salad	Butter
	Iced Tea
	Orange Marmalade

### Dinner

Lamb Chops	Creamed Potatoes
Buttered String Beans	Dill Pickles
Bread	Butter
Strawberry Short Cake	Iced Tea
	Whipped Cream

## JUNE 16

### Lunch

Vegetable Soup	Saltines
Scalloped Potatoes	Lettuce and Onion Salad
White Muffins	Milk
	Butter
	Rhubarb Sauce

### Dinner

Stuffed Spare Ribs	Boiled Potatoes
Sauer Kraut	Buttered Beets
Bread	Milk
Baked Apple Stuffed with Raisins	Cream
	Butter

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## JUNE 17

### Lunch

Mustard Sardines or Fried Soft Crabs	Potato Cakes
Tomato Salad	Butter
Bread	
Strawberries	Cream

### Dinner

Cold Boiled Ham	Creamed Potatoes
Beet Greens with Egg	Watercress Salad
Butter	Coffee
Cherry Pie	Cheese
Bread	

## JUNE 18

### Lunch

Egg, Olive and Potato Salad	
Black Raspberry Jam	Graham Muffins
Butter	Milk
Cup Cake	Foamy Sauce

### Dinner

Baked Black Bass	Boiled Potatoes
Creamed Peas	Spinach with Egg
Milk	Bread
Butter	Whipped Cream
Date Pudding	Iced Tea

## JUNE 19

### Lunch

Cream of Spinach Soup	Saltines
Hash Brown Potatoes	Frankfurters
Bread	Iced Tea
Butter	
Fresh Pineapple	Catsup

### Dinner

Meat Pie	Creamed Cabbage
Lettuce Salad	Cucumber Pickles
Raised Biscuits	Coffee
Butter	Cream
Cornstarch Pudding with Crushed Black Raspberries	

## JUNE 20 (Sunday)

### Dinner

Roast Beef	Brown Potatoes	Gravy
Horse Radish		
Creamed Asparagus	Bread	
Butter	Tomato Salad	Coffee
Pineapple Sherbet	Saltines	

### Supper

Peanut Butter, Dates and Cream Cheese, Lettuce Sandwiches	
Salted Peanuts	
Deviled Eggs	Lemonade
Chocolate Layer Cake	



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## JUNE 21

### Lunch

Scalloped Corn			
Banana and Nut Salad	Butter	Cole Slaw	Milk
	White Muffins		
	Rhubarb Conserve		

### Dinner

	Roast Beef Reheated in Gravy		
Mashed Potatoes		Creamed Onions	
Coffee	Radishes	Bread	Butter
Prune Fluff		Custard Sauce	

## JUNE 22

### Lunch

Creamed Cod Fish		Baked Potatoes
Watercress and Cottage Cheese Salad		
Bread	Butter	Iced Tea
	Sliced Oranges and Coconut	

### Dinner

Beefstew		Potato Puff
Beet Greens	Tomato and Onion Salad	Creamed Carrots
Milk	Butter	Bread
	Strawberry Short Cake	

## JUNE 23

### Lunch

Fried Soft Crabs	—or—	Cheese Soufflé
Hash Brown Potatoes		Radishes
Bread	Butter	Iced Tea
	Creamed Rice with Dates	Cream

### Dinner

Pork Tenderloin		Mashed Potatoes
Gravy	Buttered Beets	Creamed Peas
Bread	Butter	Green Onions
Black Raspberries		Cream

## JUNE 24

### Lunch

Cream of Pea Soup		Croûtons
Italian Spaghetti		Waldorf Salad
Bread	Butter	Iced Tea

### Dinner

Liver and Bacon		Creamed Potatoes
Spinach	Tomato Salad	Bread
Butter	Milk	
Cherry Pudding		Radishes
		Sauce

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## JUNE 25

### Lunch

Fish Chowder	Scalloped Corn
Beet and Cabbage Salad	Dill Pickles
Bread	Butter
Strawberries and Cream	

### Dinner

Salmon Loaf	Buttered Potatoes
Creamed Carrots	Buttered String Beans
Bread	Iced Tea
Chocolate Custard	Cream
Butter	

## JUNE 26

### Lunch

Vegetable Soup	Saltines
Tomato and Egg Salad	Graham Muffins
Cherry Sauce	Butter

### Dinner

Lamb Chops	Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Cabbage	Lettuce Salad
Bread	Radishes
Butter	
Banana Cream Pie	

## JUNE 27. (Sunday)

### Dinner

Chicken Pie	Mashed Potatoes
Spinach	Bread
Spiced Currants	Coffee
Vanilla Ice Cream	Saltines
Creamed Asparagus	
Butter	
Chocolate Sauce	

### Supper

Salted Peanuts	Welsh Rarebit on Toast	Lemonade
	Lettuce Salad	
	Cocoanut Cake	

## JUNE 28

### Lunch

Chicken Soup with Rice	Saltines
Egg, Olive and Potato Salad	Bread
Butter	
Strawberry Jam	

### Dinner

Swiss Steak	Fried Onions	Mashed Potatoes
Beet Greens		Sliced Tomatoes
Bread		Butter
Cornstarch Pudding with Crushed Black Raspberries		Cream

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## JUNE 29

### Lunch

Potato Cakes	Kippered Herring or Creamed Tuna Fish
Banana and Nut Salad	White Muffins
Butter	Rhubarb Sauce

### Dinner

Baked Ham	Glazed Sweet Potatoes
Creamed Onions	Lettuce Salad
Bread	Iced Tea
Butter	
Orange Custard	Cream

## JUNE 30

### Lunch

Rice and Cheese Croquettes with Tomato Sauce	
Cole Slaw	
Butter	Milk
Bread	
Pineapple Fritters	Sauce

### Dinner

Cold Ham	Creamed Potatoes
Spinach	Buttered Beets
Bread	Coffee
Currant Pie	Cheese
Butter	

## JULY 1 (Thursday)

### Lunch

Creamed Ham on Toast	Macaroni and Cheese
Vegetable Salad (left-overs)	Bread Butter
Iced Tea	Cream
Baked Apple	

### Dinner

Stuffed Beef Heart	Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Carrots	Cucumber and Onion Salad
Bread	Butter
Chocolate Bread Pudding	Hard Sauce

## JULY 2

### Lunch

Creamed Finnan Haddie or Cod Fish	
Baked Potatoes	Tomato Salad
Bread	Milk
Black Raspberries	Cream
Butter	

### Dinner

Broiled White Fish	Lemon Sauce
Baked Stuffed Potatoes	Beet Greens
Bread	Iced Tea
Butter	
Jello with Custard Sauce	Milk

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## JULY 3

### Lunch

Cream of Tomato Soup		Saltines
Deviled Eggs	Cole Slaw	Potato Chips
Baking Powder Biscuits		Honey

### Dinner

Breaded Pork Chops		Mashed Potatoes
Swiss Chard		Sliced Tomatoes
Buttered String Beans	Bread	Butter
Cherry Pie	Cheese	Coffee

## JULY 4 (Sunday)

### Dinner

Fried Spring Chicken		Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Asparagus	Olives	Radishes
Milk Gravy	Cucumber Salad	
Bread	Butter	Coffee or Iced Tea
	Strawberry Ice Cream	
	Devil's Food Cake	

### Supper

	Creamed Sweet Breads on Toast	
Pineapple Salad		Cheese Crackers
	Lemonade	Cake

## JULY 5

### Lunch

Cream of Asparagus Soup		Saltines
Italian Spaghetti		Cabbage and Nut Salad
White Muffins		Butter

### Dinner

Beef Birds		Creamed Potatoes
Spinach		Buttered Beets
Bread	Butter	Iced Tea
	Cantaloupe	

## JULY 6

### Lunch

Vegetable Soup		Saltines
Butter	Lettuce and Cottage Cheese Salad	Bread
	Strawberries	Cream

### Dinner

Hamburger Layer		Baked Potatoes
Turnip Greens	or Swiss Chard	Creamed Onions
Bread	Butter	Coffee
Date Pudding		Whipped Cream

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## JULY 7

### Lunch

Cole Slaw	Lima Beans in Casserole	Butter
Banana Fritters	Bread	Sauce

### Dinner

Breaded Veal Cutlets	Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Peas	Lettuce Salad
Bread	Butter
	Watermelon
	Iced Tea

## JULY 8

### Lunch

Mustard Sardines	Potato Cakes
Stuffed Green Peppers	Milk
Honey	Baking Powder Biscuits

### Dinner

Rice and Meat in Casserole	Dill Pickles
Spinach with Bacon	Creamed String Beans
Bread	Coffee
	Washington Cream Pie

## JULY 9

### Lunch

Hash Brown Potatoes	Corn Chowder
Catsup	Codfish Cakes or Frankfurters
Blackberries	Bread
	Cream

### Dinner

Baked Black Bass or Fried Perch	Swiss Chard
Creamed Potatoes	Butter
Tomato Salad	Bread
Cornstarch Pudding with Crushed Fresh Strawberries and Cream	Iced Tea

## JULY 10

### Lunch

Potato Salad	Cole Slaw
Bread	Milk
Blue Plums or Apple	Sauce
	Cream

### Dinner

Swiss Steak	Mashed Potatoes
Beet Greens	Tomato and Cucumber Salad
Bread	Iced Tea
Saltines	Cream
	Banana Custard

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## JULY 11. (Sunday)

### Dinner

Roast Lamb	Brown Potatoes	Gravy
Summer Squash		
Lettuce Salad	Mint Sauce	Creamed Onions
Pineapple Sherbet		Coffee or Iced Tea
		Saltines

### Supper

Fruit Salad		Nut-bread
Butter	Iced Chocolate	Salted Peanuts
	Sponge Cake	

## JULY 12

### Lunch

Cream of Tomato Soup		Croûtons
Stuffed Egg Salad		Potato Cakes
Bread		
	Cherry Sauce	Butter

### Dinner

Lamb Croquettes		Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Carrots		Tomato Salad
Bread	Butter	Coffee
	Huckleberry Roll	Milk
		Sauce

## JULY 13

### Lunch

Fish and Macaroni		Cole Slaw
Bread		Iced Tea
	Black Raspberries	
		Cream
		Butter

### Dinner

Broiled Ham		Mashed Potatoes
Milk Gravy		Buttered String Beans
Bread	Spinach	Butter
	Brown Betty	Creamy Sauce

## JULY 14

### Lunch

Vegetable Chowder		Saltines
Banana and Nut Salad		Milk
	Baking Powder Biscuits	
		Butter
		Honey

### Dinner

Boiled Tongue	Tomato Sauce	Baked Potatoes
Creamed Cabbage	Green Onions	Radishes
Bread	Butter	Iced Tea
	Caramel Custard	Cream



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## JULY 15

### Lunch

Cream of Potato Soup	Saltines
Tomato and Egg Salad	Bread Butter
Apple Fritters	Sauce

### Dinner

Cold Tongue	Creamed Potatoes
Turnip Greens	Buttered Beets
Bread	Sliced Cucumbers
Iced Tea	Lemon Pie
	Butter

## JULY 16

### Lunch

Creamed Tuna Fish	Boiled Rice
Cabbage and Nut Salad	Bread Butter
	Watermelon
	Iced Tea

### Dinner

Fried Perch	Mashed Potatoes
Spinach with Egg	Creamed String Beans
Bread	Iced Tea
Cherry Pudding	Sauce
	Butter

## JULY 17

### Lunch

Vegetable Soup	Saltines
Cottage Cheese and Nut Salad	Fried Tomatoes
Butter	Bread
Cup Cake	Foamy Sauce
	Milk

### Dinner

Liver and Bacon	French Fried Potatoes
Beet Greens	Buttered Turnips
Bread	Butter
Sliced Peaches	Oatmeal Cookies
	Cream

## JULY 18. (Sunday)

### Dinner

Beef Birds	Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Lima Beans	Tomato Salad
Bread	Coffee
Vanilla Ice Cream	Chocolate Sauce
	Swiss Chard
	Butter
	Saltines

### Supper

Shrimp Salad or Canned Salmon	
Bread	Butter
White Layer Cake	Iced Chocolate
	Olives

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## JULY 19

### Lunch

Rice and Cheese Croquettes with Tomato Sauce  
 Cole Slaw Banana and Nut Salad  
 White Muffins Butter  
 Orange Marmalade

### Dinner

Fricassee of Veal Potato Puff  
 Succotash Turnip Greens Bread  
 Butter Sliced Cucumbers  
 Peach Short Cake

## JULY 20

### Lunch

Waldorf Salad Scalloped Potatoes  
 Bread Butter Milk  
 Black Raspberries Cream

### Dinner

Casserole Rice and Veal Tomato Sauce  
 Spinach Creamed Onions Bread  
 Butter Radishes  
 Apple Pie Cheese Coffee

## JULY 21

### Lunch

Fish Chowder  
 Fried Tomatoes Scalloped Cabbage  
 Bread Butter Strawberry Jam  
 Watermelon

### Dinner

Pork Tenderloin Glazed Sweet Potatoes  
 Corn on Cob Milk Gravy Beet Greens  
 Butter Iced Tea Bread  
 Grapefruit

## JULY 22

### Lunch

Italian Spaghetti Cabbage and Nut Salad  
 Graham Muffins Butter Iced Tea  
 Sliced Peaches Cream

### Dinner

Stuffed Round Steak Buttered Potatoes  
 Bread Creamed Carrots Cucumber Salad  
 Chocolate Soufflé Butter Iced Tea  
 Creamy Sauce

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## JULY 23

### Lunch

Butter	Egg, Olive and Potato Salad	Cranberry Jelly
	Bread	
	Baked Apple Stuffed with Raisins	
Spiced Cookies		Cream

### Dinner

Salmon Cutlets		Mashed Potatoes
Spinach	Corn on Cob	Bread
Butter	Coffee	Milk
Huckleberry Pie		Cheese

## JULY 24

### Lunch

Vegetable Soup		Saltines
Graham Muffins	Waldorf Salad	
	Butter	Milk
	Watermelon	

### Dinner

Meat Pie	Baked Sweet Potatoes	
Creamed Turnips	Lettuce Salad	Succotash
Bread	Butter	Iced Tea
	Spanish Cream	

## JULY 25. (Sunday)

### Dinner

Fried Chicken		Mashed Potatoes
Beet Greens	Milk Gravy	Sliced Tomatoes
Bread	Butter	Coffee
	Cantaloupe and Ice Cream	

### Supper

Welsh Rarebit		Toast
Grapefruit and Celery Salad		Iced Chocolate
	Devil's Food Cake	

## JULY 26

### Lunch

Cream of Potato Soup		Saltines
Stuffed Egg Plant		Cole Slaw
Bread		Butter

### Dinner

Hamburger Layer		Creamed Potatoes
Corn on Cob	Swiss Chard	Bread
Butter	Dill Pickles	Iced Tea
	Peach Short Cake	

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## JULY 27

### Lunch

Cream of Corn Soup		Saltines
Stuffed Green Peppers		Potato Cakes
Bread	Butter	Iced Tea
Blue Plums or Red Raspberries		Cream

### Dinner

Lamb Chops		Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Onions		Sliced Tomatoes
Bread	Butter	Iced Tea
	Banana Cream Pie	

## JULY 28

### Lunch

Cream of Tomato Soup		Croûtons
	Macaroni and Cheese	
Bread	Butter	Milk
Sliced Peaches		Cream

### Dinner

Spinach with Egg	Veal Stew with Dumplings	
Bread	Corn on Cob	Fried Egg Plant
	Butter	Iced Tea
Huckleberry Roll		Sauce

## JULY 29

### Lunch

Potato Salad		Deviled Eggs
Cole Slaw	Milk	Butter
Baking Powder Biscuits		Honey

### Dinner

Beef Birds		Creamed Potatoes
Beet Greens		Squash
Bread	Butter	Olives
	Cantaloupe	

## JULY 30

Codfish Cakes		Hashed Brown Potatoes
Catsup		Cucumber and Onion Salad
Bread	Butter	Iced Tea
Apple Fritters		Sauce

### Dinner

	Broiled Halibut	
Mashed Potatoes		Creamed String Beans
Bread	Tomato Salad	Butter
Watermelon		Iced Tea

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## JULY 31

### Lunch

Creamed Dried Beef	Bread	Baked Potatoes
Lettuce Salad	Brown Betty	Butter
Iced Tea		Foamy Sauce

### Dinner

Broiled Ham	Milk Gravy	Mashed Potatoes
Spinach	Butter	Corn on Cob
Bread	Peach Custard	Iced Tea

## AUGUST 1. (Sunday)

### Dinner

Roast Veal	Gravy	Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Cauliflower	Bread	Olives
Sliced Tomatoes	Coffee	Butter
Vanilla Ice Cream	Saltines	Caramel Sauce

### Supper

Tuna Fish Salad	Potato Chips
Nut-bread	Butter
Lemonade	Salted Peanuts

## AUGUST 2

### Lunch

Potato Cakes	Sliced Cucumbers and Onions	Mustard Sardines
Bread		Butter
Pineapple Salad		Cheese Crackers

### Dinner

Casserole Rice and Veal	Buttered Turnips	Tomato Sauce
Beet Greens or Swiss Chard	Butter	Corn on Cob
Bread	Chocolate Pie	Iced Tea

## AUGUST 3

### Lunch

Banana and Nut Salad	Fish Chowder	Cornmeal Muffins
Butter		Syrup
	Sliced Peaches and Cream	

### Dinner

Swiss Steak	Mashed Potatoes
Fried Onions	Creamed Carrots and Peas
Bread	Milk
Butter	Iced Tea
Watermelon	

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## AUGUST 4

### Lunch

Vegetable Soup		Saltines
Rice and Cheese Croquettes		Tomato Sauce
Bread	Butter	Milk
	Fresh Pears or Plums	

### Dinner

Breaded Pork Chops		Glazed Sweet Potatoes
Spinach		Fried Egg Plant
	Butter	Raised Biscuits
Iced Tea		Sliced Cucumbers
	Cantaloupe	

## AUGUST 5

### Lunch

Tomato and Egg Salad		Peanut Butter Sandwiches
Lettuce Sandwiches		Cheese Sandwiches
	Creamed Lima Beans	
Sliced Peaches	Cream	Saltines

### Dinner

Stuffed Beef Heart		Buttered Potatoes
Turnip Greens or Swiss Chard		Corn on Cob
Bread	Butter	Milk
	Spiced Currants	
	Watermelon	

## AUGUST 6

### Lunch

Creamed Peas on Toast		Cole Slaw
Fried Sweet Potatoes	Bread	Butter
Pears	Oatmeal Cookies	

### Dinner

Salmon Loaf		Creamed Potatoes
Creamed Cauliflower		Sliced Tomatoes
Buttered String Beans	Bread	Butter
Iced Tea	Cantaloupe	

## AUGUST 7

### Lunch

Cream of Tomato Soup		Croûtons
Scalloped Corn		Waldorf Salad
Bread	Butter	Rhubarb Conserve

### Dinner

Liver and Bacon		Mashed Potatoes
Spinach	Buttered Beets	Bread
Butter	Lettuce Salad	Iced Tea
Caramel Custard		Cream



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## AUGUST 8. (Sunday)

### Dinner

Roast Chicken	Stuffing	Mashed Potatoes
Gravy	Corn on Cob	Lettuce Salad
Bread	Butter	Coffee
Chocolate Ice Cream	Angel Food Cake or Layer Cake	

### Supper

Deviled Egg Salad		Nut-bread
Lemonade	Butter Cake	Sliced Tomatoes

## AUGUST 9

### Lunch

	Chicken Soup with Noodles	
Baked Beans		Cabbage and Nut Salad
Bread	Butter	Milk
	Blue Plums	

### Dinner

Boiled Tongue		Baked Potatoes
Tomato Sauce		Creamed Turnips
Beet Greens	Bread	Butter
Peach Short Cake		Iced Tea

## AUGUST 10

### Lunch

Stuffed Egg Plant		Cucumber Salad
White Muffins	Butter	Iced Tea
Baked Apple		Cream

### Dinner

Cold Tongue		Creamed Potatoes
Creamed Cauliflower		Tomato Salad
Bread	Butter	Lemonade
	Watermelon	

## AUGUST 11

### Lunch

Stuffed Green Peppers		Scalloped Potatoes
Waldorf Salad	Bread	Butter
	Iced Tea	

### Dinner

Casserole Rice and Meat		Tomato Sauce
Creamed Carrots and Peas		Turnip Greens
Bread	Butter	Iced Tea
	Lemon Pie	

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## AUGUST 12

### Lunch

Boiled Rice	Cheese Sauce
Cottage Cheese Salad	Butter
Sliced Oranges and Cocoanut	Bread

### Dinner

Lamb Chops	Mashed Potatoes
Corn on Cob	Creamed String Beans
Bread	Iced Tea
Lemon Sherbet or Tapioca Cream	Sugar Cookies

## AUGUST 13

### Lunch

Cream of Pea Soup	Croûtons
Cheese Soufflé	Grapefruit and Celery Salad
Bread	Iced Tea

### Dinner

Baked Trout	Egg Sauce	Mashed Potatoes
Summer Squash		Spinach
Bread	Butter	Milk
Cantaloupe or Huckleberry Roll		Vanilla Sauce

## AUGUST 14

### Lunch

Potato Puff	Kippered Herring or Frankfurters
Catsup	Cole Slaw
Bread	Iced Tea
Sliced Peaches	Cream

### Dinner

Broiled Ham	Buttered Potatoes
Milk Gravy	Creamed String Beans
Bread	Iced Tea
Swiss Chard	
Jello with Custard Sauce	

## AUGUST 15. (Sunday)

### Dinner

Veal Cutlets in Casserole	Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Cauliflower	Tomato Salad
Bread	Coffee
Butter	
Peach Sherbet	Saltines

### Supper

Shrimp Salad or Salmon and Orange Salad	
Potato Chips	Olives
x	Cocoanut Cake
	Iced Chocolate

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## AUGUST 16

### Lunch

Cream of Tomato Soup		Croûtons
Egg, Olive and Potato Salad	Bread	Butter
Cantaloupe		Milk

### Dinner

	Creamed Veal in Pastry	Cups
Mashed Potatoes	Lettuce Salad	
Bread	Butter	Beet Greens
	Banana Cream Pie	Iced Tea

## AUGUST 17

### Lunch

Macaroni and Cheese		Fried Tomatoes
Cole Slaw	Bread	Butter
	Watermelon	Milk

### Dinner

Swiss Steak		Creamed Potatoes
Fried Onions		Buttered String Beans
Bread	Butter	Iced Tea
	Peach Shortcake	

## AUGUST 18

### Lunch

Italian Spaghetti		Creamed Lima Beans
Waldorf Salad	Bread	Butter
		Milk

### Dinner

Meat Pie		Glazed Sweet Potatoes
Turnip Greens		Cucumber and Onion Salad
Bread	Butter	Iced Tea
Date Pudding		Whipped Cream

## AUGUST 19

### Lunch

Vegetable Soup		Saltines
Graham Muffins	Scalloped Cabbage	
	Lettuce Salad	Butter
	Cantaloupe or Pears	

### Dinner

Breaded Pork Chops		Mashed Potatoes
Sauer Kraut		Sliced Tomatoes
Iced Tea	Bread	Butter
Pineapple Sherbet or Pineapple Whip		Cream

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## AUGUST 20

### Lunch

Creamed Tuna Fish	Butter	Boiled Rice
Waldorf Salad	Bread	Cucumber Pickles
	Blue Plums	

### Dinner

Salmon Croquettes		Creamed Peas
Creamed Celery		Spinach
Bread	Butter	Iced Tea
Chocolate Soufflé	Foamy Sauce	

## AUGUST 21

### Lunch

Corn Chowder		Tomato Salad
Bread	Butter	Iced Tea
Baked Apple Stuffed with Raisins		Cream

### Dinner

Stuffed Round Steak		Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Carrots	Celery	Bread
Butter	Iced Tea	Milk
	Lemon Pie	

## AUGUST 22. (Sunday)

### Dinner

Fricassee of Chicken		Mashed Potatoes
Swiss Chard	Creamed Turnips	Olives
Bread	Cucumber Salad	Butter
Vanilla Ice Cream		Sliced Peaches
Coffee		Saltines

### Supper

	Welsh Rarebit on Toast	
Grapefruit and Celery Salad		Bread
Butter	Salted Peanuts	
Lemonade	Oatmeal Cookies	

## AUGUST 23

### Lunch

Potatoes and Cheese Croquettes with Tomato Sauce		
Cabbage and Nut Salad		
Bread	Butter	Milk
	Cantaloupe	

### Dinner

Chicken Soup with Rice		Saltines
Glazed Sweet Potatoes	Cucumber Salad	Stuffed Egg Plant
Creamed Onions	Bread	Butter
	Iced Tea	Milk
Cherry Pudding		Sauce

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## AUGUST 24

### Lunch

Egg, Olive and Potato Salad	Bread
Butter	Sliced Cucumbers and Tomatoes
Banana Fritters	Sauce
	Lemonade

### Dinner

Pork Tenderloin	Mashed Potatoes
Milk Gravy	Cole Slaw
Bread	Iced Tea
Turnip Greens	
Butter	
Peach Short Cake	

## AUGUST 25

### Lunch

Cheese Soufflé	Potato Cakes
Dill Pickles	Baking Powder Biscuits
Honey	Milk
Lettuce Salad	

### Dinner

Hamburger Layer	Creamed Potatoes
Spinach	Bread
Butter	Iced Tea
Huckleberry Roll	Vanilla Sauce
Buttered Beets	

## AUGUST 26

### Lunch

Stuffed Egg Plant	Creamed Lima Beans
Bread	Butter
Cucumber and Onion Salad	
Watermelon	

### Dinner

Lamb Chops	Baked Potatoes
Swiss Chard	Buttered Turnips
Bread	Milk
Butter	Iced Tea
Orange Custard	Cookies

## AUGUST 27

### Lunch

Tuna Fish Salad	Corn Bread
Butter	Iced Tea
Syrup	Saltines
Caramel Custard	
Milk	

### Dinner

Fried Rock Fish	Glazed Sweet Potatoes
Spinach with Egg	Stewed Tomatoes
Bread	Spiced Currants
Lettuce Salad	
Butter	
Peaches and Blue Plums	

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## AUGUST 28

### Lunch

Baked Beans	Vegetable Chowder	Cole Slaw	
Bread	Butter		Milk
	Cantaloupe or Pears		

### Dinner

Broiled Ham		Mashed Potatoes	
Milk Gravy		Swiss Chard	
Sliced Tomatoes	Bread		Butter
Peach Short Cake		Iced Tea	

## AUGUST 29. (Sunday)

### Dinner

Veal Birds		Mashed Potatoes	
Creamed Cauliflower		Corn on Cob	
Spiced Peaches	Bread	Butter	
Chocolate Ice Cream		Oatmeal Cookies	

### Supper

Potato Salad	Nut-Bread	Butter
Lemonade		
	Watermelon	Salted Peanuts

## AUGUST 30

### Lunch

Potato Puff	Mustard Sardines or Frankfurters
Tomato and Cucumber Salad	Bread
Butter	Iced Chocolate
	Grapes

### Dinner

Pot Roast	Brown Potatoes	Gravy
Spinach	Buttered Beets	Butter
	Iced Tea	
Prune Fluff	Saltines	Custard Sauce

## AUGUST 31

### Lunch

Cream of Spinach Soup		Saltines
Italian Spaghetti		Lettuce Salad
Bread	Butter	Iced Tea
Baked Apple		Cream

### Dinner

Pot Roast Reheated in Gravy		Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Onions		Cucumber Pickles
Bread	Butter	Iced Tea
Raisin Pie	Coffee	Cheese



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## SEPTEMBER 1 (Wednesday)

### Lunch

Baked Sweet Potatoes		Creamed Tuna Fish
Fried Tomatoes	Bread	Butter
		Milk
		Grapes

### Dinner

Liver and Bacon		Creamed Potatoes
Swiss Chard		Buttered Turnips
Chow-Chow	Bread	Butter
Peach Sherbet	or	Peach Short Cake
	Iced Tea	

## SEPTEMBER 2

### Lunch

Stuffed Egg Plant		Scalloped Corn
Milk	Butter	Honey
	Baking Powder	Biscuits
	Cantaloupe	

### Dinner

Meat Loaf		Mashed Potatoes
Beet Greens	Gravy	Cabbage Salad
Bread	Butter	Iced Tea
Brown Betty		Foamy Sauce

## SEPTEMBER 3

### Lunch

	Fish Chowder	
Tomato and Egg Salad		Cornmeal Muffins
Butter		Rhubarb Conserve

### Dinner

Baked Stuffed Haddock		Egg Sauce
Boiled Sweet Potatoes		Creamed Onions
Milk	Bread	Coffee
	Butter	
	Banana Cream Pie	

## SEPTEMBER 4

### Lunch

Creamed Dried Beef		Fried Sweet Potatoes
		or
		Boiled Rice
Cole Slaw	Bread	Butter
Sliced Peaches		Cream

### Dinner

Pork Tenderloin		Mashed Potatoes
Turnip Greens	Lettuce Salad	Fried Egg Plant
Milk Gravy	Bread	Butter
Watermelon		Iced Tea

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## SEPTEMBER 5, (Sunday)

### Dinner

Roast Lamb	Mashed Potatoes	Gravy
Mint Sauce	Swiss Chard	Sliced Tomatoes
Bread	Butter	Coffee
Chocolate Ice Cream		Saltines

### Supper

Shrimp or Salmon Salad	Chocolate	Potato Chips
Nut-bread	Plums and Apples	Marshmallows

## SEPTEMBER 6

### Lunch

Cream of Tomato Soup		Croûtons
Scalloped Cabbage		Spiced Peaches
Bread	Butter	Milk
Brown Betty		Hard Sauce

### Dinner

Lamb Reheated in Gravy	Baked Sweet Potatoes	
Creamed Celery	Bread	Butter
Apple Pie	Turnip Greens	Coffee
	Cheese	

## SEPTEMBER 7

### Lunch

Fish and Macaroni		Cabbage Salad
White Muffins	Butter	Milk
Baked Apple Stuffed with Raisins		Cream

### Dinner

Swiss Steak		Mashed Potatoes
Fried Onions	Cucumber Salad	Spinach
Bread	Butter	Iced Tea
Peach Short Cake		Whipped Cream

## SEPTEMBER 8

### Lunch

Vegetable Soup		Saltines
Fried Egg Plant		Creamed Lima Beans
Bread	Butter	Milk
	Watermelon	

### Dinner

Meat Pie		Boiled Sweet Potatoes
Turnip Greens		Tomato Salad
Bread	Butter	Coffee
Grapefruit and Celery Salad		Cheese Crackers

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## SEPTEMBER 9

### Lunch

Cream of Celery Soup	Saltines
Baked Beans	Steamed Brown Bread
Cole Slaw	Milk
Butter	
Grapes	

### Dinner

Boiled Tongue	Creamed Onions	Baked Potatoes
Tomato Sauce	Butter	Lettuce Salad
Raised Biscuits	Banana Custard	Coffee

## SEPTEMBER 10

### Lunch

Creamed Codfish	Boiled Rice
Cabbage and Celery Salad	Bread
Cantaloupe	Iced Tea
	Butter

### Dinner

Salmon Cutlets	Tomato Sauce
Mashed Potatoes	Swiss Chard
Bread	Milk
Butter	
Huckleberry Roll	Sauce

## SEPTEMBER 11

### Lunch

Potato Puff	Pickled Pigs Feet or Mustard Sardines
Banana and Nut Salad	Celery
Cinnamon Rolls	Milk

### Dinner

Breaded Pork Chops	Mashed Potatoes
Boiled Cabbage with Dressing	Buttered Beets
Bread	Coffee
Sliced Peaches	Cream

## SEPTEMBER 12. (Sunday)

### Dinner

Fricassee of Chicken	Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Cauliflower	Sliced Tomatoes
Swiss Chard	Coffee
Bread	Butter
Vanilla Ice Cream	Chocolate Sauce
Saltines	

### Supper

Soft Boiled Eggs	Bread	Butter
Grapefruit and Celery Salad		
Devil's Food Cake	Lemonade	

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## SEPTEMBER 13

### Lunch

Creamed Finnan Haddie	Chicken Soup with Noodles	Boiled Sweet Potatoes
Bread	Butter	Milk
Baked Apple		Cream

### Dinner

Stuffed Round Steak		Mashed Potatoes
Kale or Turnip Greens		Creamed Carrots
Bread	Butter	Cucumber Pickles
	Cantaloupe	

## SEPTEMBER 14

### Lunch

Scrambled Eggs and Dried Beef		Fried Sweet Potatoes
Cole Slaw		Baking Powder Biscuits
Honey	Butter	Tea

### Dinner

	Veal Stew with Dumplings	
Creamed Lima Beans		Sliced Tomatoes
Bread	Butter	Milk
- Chocolate Soufflé		Foamy Sauce
		Coffee

## SEPTEMBER 15

### Lunch

	Rice and Cheese Croquettes with Tomato Sauce	
Fried Egg Plant	Bread	Butter
Banana Fritters		Sauce

### Dinner

Baked Ham		Glazed Sweet Potatoes
Spinach		Buttered Beets
Bread	Butter	Spiced Currants
Jello with Custard	Sauce	Saltines

## SEPTEMBER 16

### Lunch

Mexican Beans		Waldorf Salad
White Muffins	Butter	Milk
Black Raspberry Jam		

### Dinner

Cold Ham		Mashed Potatoes
Kale or Turnip Greens	Buttered Parsnips	Chili Sauce
Bread	Butter	Coffee
Bread Pudding	Oatmeal Cookies	

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## SEPTEMBER 17

### Lunch

Scalloped Potatoes	Kipperd Herring or Tuna	Fish Salad	
Sliced Peaches	Cream	Bread	Butter
		Oatmeal Cookies	

### Dinner

Broiled Trout		Creamed Potatoes
Creamed Onions		Tomato and Onion Salad
Bread	Butter	Milk
Caramel Custard		Whipped Cream

## SEPTEMBER 18

### Lunch

Potato Puff	Vegetable Soup		
Bread	Butter	Creamed Ham	Tea
	Grapes or Pears	Milk	

### Dinner

Beef Birds		Baked Sweet Potatoes
Milk Gravy	Creamed Cabbage	Chili Sauce
Bread	Butter	Coffee
Creamed Rice with Dates		Cream

## SEPTEMBER 19. (Sunday)

### Dinner

Veal Cutlets in Casserole		Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Cauliflower	Celery	Spinach
Bread	Butter	Coffee
Date Pudding		Foamy Sauce

### Supper

	Egg, Olive and Potato Salad	
Salted Peanuts	Nut-bread	Butter
Chocolate		Grapefruit

## SEPTEMBER 20

### Lunch

Cream of Celery Soup		Saltines
Bread	Fried Tomatoes	Milk
	Butter	
	Banana and Nut Salad	

### Dinner

Casserole Rice and Veal		Tomato Sauce
Summer Squash	Spinach with Egg	Cole Slaw
Bread	Butter	Milk
	Chocolate Pie	Coffee

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## SEPTEMBER 21

### Lunch

Creamed Dried Beef	Baked Potatoes
Sliced Cucumbers and Onions	Baking Powder Biscuits
Honey	Butter

### Dinner

Pork Chops	Boiled Sweet Potatoes
Kale	Bread
Buttered Beets	Butter
Grapefruit and Celery Salad	Coffee
Milk	Cheese Crackers

## SEPTEMBER 22

### Lunch

Fish Chowder	Bread
Stuffed Green Peppers	Cabbage and Nut Salad
Butter	Grapes

### Dinner

Stuffed Beef Heart	Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Celery	Spinach
Bread	Milk
Butter	Hard Sauce
Brown Betty	

## SEPTEMBER 23

### Lunch

Cheese Soufflé	Fried Sweet Potatoes
Bread	Butter
Lettuce and Tomato Salad	Milk
Doughnuts	Coffee

### Dinner

Lamb Chops	Creamed Potatoes
Kale or Swiss Chard	Currant Jelly
Bread	Butter
Spanish Cream	Cookies
	Celery

## SEPTEMBER 24

### Lunch

Salmon Croquettes	Creamed Peas
Waldorf Salad	Butter
	Bread
	Milk

### Dinner

Baked Trout	Egg Sauce
Creamed Lima Beans	Mashed Potatoes
Bread	Cole Slaw
Butter	Coffee
Apple Dumpling	Foamy Sauce



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## SEPTEMBER 25

### Lunch

Cream of Pea Soup		Croûtons
Baked Beans	Catsup	Bread Butter
French Toast		Syrup

### Dinner

Meat Pie		Creamed Brussel Sprouts
Buttered Beets	Bread	Butter
Milk	Lemon Pie	Coffee

## SEPTEMBER 26. (Sunday)

### Dinner

Broiled Steak		Mashed Potatoes
Celery	Kale	Creamed Cauliflower
Bread	Butter	Coffee
Chocolate	Ice Cream	Saltines

### Supper

Welsh Rarebit on Toast		Nut-bread
Grapefruit and Celery Salad	Butter	Marshmallows
Chocolate		

## SEPTEMBER 27

### Lunch

Vegetable Chowder		Saltines
Scalloped Potatoes		Mustard Sardines
Bread	Butter	Milk Apple Jelly

### Dinner

Boiled Tongue	Tomato Sauce	Mashed Potatoes
Turnip Greens	Fried Parsnips	Bread
Butter	Milk	Coffee
Tapioca Cream		Sugar Cookies

## SEPTEMBER 28

### Lunch

Cream of Potato Soup		Saltines
Macaroni and Dried Beef	Bread	Butter
Apple Sauce		Cream

### Dinner

Cold Tongue		Creamed Potatoes
Brussel Sprouts with Bacon		Chili Sauce
Raised Biscuits	Butter	Coffee
Caramel Pie or Banana Cream Pie	Milk	

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## SEPTEMBER 29

### Lunch

Hash Brown Potatoes	Rhubarb Conserve	Cole Slaw
White Muffins	Butter	Milk
Sliced Oranges and Cocoanut	Sugar Cookies	

### Dinner

Beef Birds	Kale	Baked Sweet Potatoes
Creamed Carrots	Saltines	Bread
Prune Whip		Butter
		Custard Sauce

## SEPTEMBER 30

### Lunch

Italian Spaghetti		Waldorf Salad
Baking Powder Biscuits	Butter	Honey

### Dinner

Lamb Stew with Dumplings	Mashed Potatoes
Cabbage and Celery Salad	Creamed Peas
Bread	Milk
Butter	Coffee
Apple Pie	Cheese

## OCTOBER 1. (Friday)

### Lunch

Lima Beans in Casserole		Stuffed Green Peppers
Bread	Butter	Cabbage and Apple Salad
	Grapes	
Tea	Milk	

### Dinner

Salmon Loaf		Creamed Potatoes
Swiss Chard		Creamed Turnips
Bread	Butter	Dill Pickles
Cherry Pudding		Sauce

## OCTOBER 2

### Lunch

Creamed Dried Beef	Boiled Rice or Sweet Potatoes
Cabbage and Celery Salad	Bread
Apple Jelly	Butter

### Dinner

Swiss Steak		Mashed Potatoes
Fried Onions	Kale	Sliced Tomatoes
Bread	Butter	Milk
Creamed Rice with Dates	Coffee	Cream

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## OCTOBER 3. (Sunday)

### Dinner

Roast Chicken	Stuffing	Mashed Potatoes
	Creamed Brussel Sprouts with Celery	
Gravy	Currant Jelly	Bread
Vanilla Ice Cream		Butter
Coffee		Chocolate Sauce
		Saltines

### Supper

Chicken Salad		{Lettuce
	Sandwiches	{Date
		{Pimento Cheese
Chocolate	Cocoanut	Cake

## OCTOBER 4

### Lunch

Chicken Soup with Rice		Saltines
Fried Sweet Potatoes		Vegetable Salad
Butter	Cornmeal Muffins	Carrot Marmalade

### Dinner

Mutton Chops		Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Onions		Buttered Beets
Bread	Butter	Milk
	Cole Slaw	
	Lemon Pie	Coffee

## OCTOBER 5

### Lunch

	Vegetable Soup		
Tomato and Egg Salad		Celery	Bread
Butter		Cantalope	

### Dinner

Meat Loaf		Creamed Potatoes
Fried Parsnips		Turnip Greens with Bacon
Bread	Butter	Coffee
Baked Apple Stuffed with Raisins		Cream

## OCTOBER 6

### Lunch

Cream of Pea Soup		Croûtons
Scalloped Potatoes		Waldorf Salad
Bread	Butter	Rhubarb Conserve

### Dinner

Reheated Meat Loaf	Tomato Sauce	Glazed Sweet Potatoes
Creamed Cauliflower		Cole Slaw
Bread		Butter
Chocolate Soufflé		Hard Sauce

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## OCTOBER 7

### Lunch

Italian Spaghetti		Cod Fish Cakes
Bread	Butter	Waldorf Salad
Cup Cake		Chocolate Sauce

### Dinner

	Mashed Potatoes	
Fricassee of Veal		Turnip Greens
Chili Sauce	Bread	Butter
Prune Whip		Creamed Parsnips
		Custard Sauce

## OCTOBER 8

### Lunch

Mexican Beans		Scalloped Corn
Cucumber Pickles		Grapefruit and Celery Salad
Bread	Butter	Milk

### Dinner

Broiled Mackerel		Mashed Potatoes	
Creamed Carrots and Peas	Pickled Peaches		Kale
Bread	Butter	Coffee	
Bread Pudding		Saltines	

## OCTOBER 9

### Lunch

Creamed Eggs on Toast		Stewed Tomatoes	
Bread	Butter	Coffee	Milk
Sliced Oranges and Cocoanut		Doughnuts	

### Dinner

Broiled Ham		Mashed Potatoes	
Swiss Chard	Carrot and Pea Salad	Milk Gravy	
Bread	Butter	Coffee	
Brown Betty		Cream	

## OCTOBER 10 (Sunday)

### Dinner

Broiled Steak		Glazed Sweet Potatoes or Mashed Potatoes	
Brussel Sprouts		Creamed Celery	
Horse Radish	Bread	Butter	Coffee
Peach Ice Cream		Saltines	

### Supper

Cottage Cheese Salad		Nut Bread	
Chocolate	Cherry Jam	Bread	Butter
Cup Cake		Foamy Sauce	

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## OCTOBER 11

### Lunch

Cream of Potato Soup	Saltines
Macaroni and Cheese	Beet and Cabbage Salad
Bread	Butter
	Grapes

### Dinner

Casserole Rice and Meat	Baked Sweet Potatoes
Tomato Sauce	Mixed Pickle
	Kale
	Creamed Turnips
Bread	Butter
Apple Dumpling	Milk
	Creamy Sauce

## OCTOBER 12

### Lunch

Vegetable Soup	Saltines
Cheese Soufflé	Butter
Baking Powder Biscuits	Honey
	Milk

### Dinner

Liver and Bacon	Mashed Potatoes
Swiss Chard	Bread
Cole Slaw	Butter
Banana Custard	Coffee

## OCTOBER 13

### Lunch

Scalloped Potatoes	Creamed Lima Beans
Dill Pickles	Bread
Pineapple Sauce	Oatmeal Cookies
	Butter

### Dinner

Boiled Tongue	Baked Potatoes
Tomato Sauce	Creamed Cauliflower
Celery	Butter
Bread	Whipped Cream
Date Pudding	Coffee

## OCTOBER 14

### Lunch

Cream of Celery Soup	Saltines
Boiled Rice or Sweet Potatoes	Creamed Dried Beef
Bread	Butter
Baked Apple	Cream
	Cole Slaw

### Dinner

Cold Tongue	Creamed Potatoes
Kale or Turnip Greens	Boiled Cabbage with Dressing
Bread	Chili Sauce
	Butter
	Lemon Pie

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## OCTOBER 15

### Lunch

Corn Soufflé	Fried Sweet Potatoes
Pear Salad	Milk
Graham Muffins	Butter
	Tea

### Dinner

Salmon Cutlets	Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Onions	Bread
Spiced Peaches	Coffee
Grapefruit and Celery Salad	Butter
Cheese Crackers	Milk

## OCTOBER 16

### Lunch

Cream of Pea Soup	Croûtons
Stuffed Green Peppers	Banana and Nut Salad
Bread	Milk
	Butter

### Dinner

Stuffed Beef Heart	Mashed Potatoes
Kale or Brussel Sprouts	Sliced Onions and Cucumbers
Bread	Coffee
Brown Betty	Foamy Sauce
	Butter

## OCTOBER 17 (Sunday)

### Dinner

Chicken Pie	Glazed Sweet Potatoes
Creamed Celery	Olives
Bread	Beet Pickles
	Coffee
Fruit Jello with Whipped Cream	

### Supper

Welsh Rarebit on Toast
Celery Hearts
Mixed Nuts
Chocolate
Spiced Cookies
Apples

## OCTOBER 18

### Lunch

Chicken Soup with Noodles
Hash Brown Potatoes
Cornmeal Muffins
Butter
Cole Slaw
Syrup

### Dinner

Beef Birds	Creamed Potatoes
Buttered Beets	Bread
Grapefruit	Coffee
Swiss Chard	Butter



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## OCTOBER 19

### Lunch

Scalloped Corn	Vegetable Soup	Saltines
Bread	Butter	Beet and Cabbage Salad
	Grapes	Milk

### Dinner

Pork Tenderloin	Mashed Potatoes
Milk Gravy	Baked Hubbard Squash
Cole Slaw	Butter
Coffee	Caramel Custard

## OCTOBER 20

### Lunch

Rice and Cheese Croquettes with Tomato Sauce
Cottage Cheese Salad
Strawberry Jam
White Muffins
Butter

### Dinner

Pot Roast	Brown Potatoes
Gravy	Creamed Carrots
Dill Pickles	Butter
Kale	
Bread	
Creamed Rice with Raisins	
Cream	

## OCTOBER 21

### Lunch

Cream of Tomato Soup	Saltines
Potato Cakes	Waldorf Salad
Bread	Gingerbread
Butter	Coffee
	Milk

### Dinner

Pot Roast Reheated in Gravy	Baked Sweet Potatoes
Creamed Brussel Sprouts	Cabbage and Celery Salad
Bread	Butter
Baked Apple Stuffed with Dates	
Cream	

## OCTOBER 22

### Lunch

Creamed Finnan Haddie	or	Kipperd Herring
Banana and Nut Salad	Boiled Rice or Baked Potatoes	
Honey	Milk	Baking Powder Biscuits
		Tea
		Butter

### Dinner

Broiled Trout	Lettuce Salad	Mashed Potatoes
Fried Egg Plant	Bread	Egg Sauce
Creamed Onions	Bread Pudding	Butter

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## OCTOBER 23

### Lunch

Bread	Egg, Olive and Potato Salad	
	Butter	Milk
	Sliced Oranges and Cocoanut	Rhubarb Conserve

### Dinner

Meat Pie		Creamed Cabbage
Spinach with Bacon		Beet Pickles
Bread	Butter	Coffee
	Grapes	Apples

## OCTOBER 24 (Sunday)

### Dinner

Vealed Cutlets in Casserole		Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Turnips	Celery	Olives
Bread	Butter	Tea
Vanilla Ice Cream	Milk	Angel Food Cake

### Supper

Shrimp or Salmon Salad		Cheese Crackers
Mixed Nuts	Chocolate	Marshmallows
Canned Peaches		Cream

## OCTOBER 25

### Lunch

Cream of Potato Soup		Saltines
Lima Beans in Casserole		Cole Slaw
Bread	Butter	Apple Sauce

### Dinner

Rice and Veal Croquettes		Tomato Sauce
Swiss Chard		Buttered Beets
Bread	Butter	Coffee
Cherry Pudding	Currant Jelly	Sauce

## OCTOBER 26

### Lunch

	Macaroni and Dried Beef	
Waldorf Salad		Cucumber Pickles
Cornmeal Muffins	Butter	Syrup
		Milk

### Dinner

Beef Birds		Creamed Potatoes
Kale	Boiled Hubbard Squash	Bread
Spanish Cream	Sugar Cookies	Butter
		Coffee

## OCTOBER 27

### Lunch

Scalloped Potatoes		Cabbage and Nut Salad
Bread	Butter	Milk
Creamed Rice with Dates		Coffee
		Cream

### Dinner

Stuffed Spare Ribs		Mashed Potatoes
Sauer Kraut		Creamed Brussel Sprouts
Bread	Butter	Coffee
Apple Pie		Cheese

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## OCTOBER 28

### Lunch

Bread	Cream of Corn Soup	Stuffed Green Peppers	Potato Puff	Saltines	Butter
		Black Raspberry Sauce			

### Dinner

	Lamb Chops	Boiled Sweet Potatoes	
	Creamed Peas	Kale	Bread
		Buttered Turnips	
Butter		Milk	Coffee
		Tapioca Cream	

## OCTOBER 29

### Lunch

	Codfish Cakes	Hash Brown Potatoes	
Bread	Butter	Catsup	Milk
	Banana Fritters	Sauce	

### Dinner

	Scalloped Salmon	Mashed Potatoes	
Turnip Greens		Celery	Creamed Onions
Bread		Butter	Coffee
	Cottage Pudding	Foamy Sauce	

## OCTOBER 30

### Lunch

	Vegetable Soup	Saltines	
Baked Beans		Catsup	Bread
Butter		Milk	
	Baked Apple	Cream	

### Dinner

	Veal Stew	Glazed Sweet Potatoes	
Creamed Cabbage		Lettuce and Onion Salad	
Bread		Coffee	
Caramel Custard		Whipped Cream	
		Butter	

## OCTOBER 31 (Sunday)

### Dinner

	Roast Chicken	Mashed Potatoes	
Creamed Cauliflower	Spinach	Cabbage and Celery Salad	
Bread	Butter	Currant Jelly	Coffee
	Pineapple Sherbet or	Vanilla Ice Cream	
		Saltines	

### Supper

	Soft Boiled Eggs	Bread	Butter
Banana and Nut Salad			Cheese Crackers
Chocolate			Cocoanut Cake

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## NOVEMBER 1 (Monday)

### Lunch

Italian Spaghetti	Chicken Soup with Noodles	Graham Muffins
Butter	Milk	Rhubarb Conserve

### Dinner

Meat Loaf	Baked Potatoes	Kale
	Lettuce Salad	
Cucumber Pickles	Bread	Butter
Apple Dumpling		Coffee
		Foamy Sauce

## NOVEMBER 2

### Lunch

Potato Puff		Creamed Lima Beans
Bread	Butter	Cole Slaw
	French Toast	Syrup

### Dinner

	Reheated Loaf with Tomato Sauce	
Mashed Potatoes		Turnip Greens or Spinach
Bread	Butter	Buttered Beets
Chocolate Soufflé		Cream

## NOVEMBER 3

### Lunch

Creamed Tuna Fish	Boiled Rice or Sweet Potatoes	
Banana and Nut Salad	Bread	Butter
	Cherry Jam or Apple Jelly	

### Dinner

Corned Beef	Boiled Potatoes	Carrots	Cabbage
	Tomato and Onion Salad		
Bread	Butter	Milk	Coffee
	Lemon Pie		

## NOVEMBER 4

### Lunch

Kidney Bean Salad		Cole Slaw
White Muffins	Butter	Honey
	Tea	Milk

### Dinner

Corn Beef Hash		Creamed Potatoes
Lettuce Salad		Stewed Tomatoes
Buttered Turnips	Bread	Butter
Cherry Pudding		Sauce

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## NOVEMBER 5

### Lunch

Codfish	Cakes	Vegetable Soup	Catsup	Bread	Saltines	Butter
		Baked Apple	Stuffed with Raisins		Cream	

### Dinner

Broiled Mackerel				Mashed Potatoes
Baked Squash		Creamed Celery		Bread
Butter		Coffee		Milk
	Apricot	Fluff with Custard	Sauce	

## NOVEMBER 6

### Lunch

	Cream of Tomato Soup		Croûtons
Potato and Pea Salad		Celery	Gingerbread
Coffee	Milk	Bread	Butter

### Dinner

Lamb Chops		Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Carrots	Celery	Cucumber Pickles
Bread		Butter
Brown Betty	Creamy Sauce	

## NOVEMBER 7 (Sunday)

### Dinner

Broiled Steak		Mashed Potatoes	Olives
Creamed Cauliflower	Spinach		
Bread	Butter	Coffee	Saltines
Vanilla Ice Cream	Caramel Sauce		

### Supper

Oyster Stew		Crackers	Butter
Waldorf Salad	Bread		
Chocolate		Sponge Cake	

## NOVEMBER 8

### Lunch

Fish Chowder or Cream of Potato Soup		Saltines
Cabbage and Celery Salad	Bread	Butter
Canned Peaches		Cream
Cake (left-over)		

### Dinner

Liver and Bacon		Creamed Potatoes
Creamed Celery	Brussel Sprouts	Mixed Pickle
Bread	Butter	Tea
Apple Pie	Cheese	Coffee

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## NOVEMBER 9

### Lunch

Cream of Celery Soup		Saltines
Lima Beans in Casserole	Corn Bread	Butter
Strawberry Jam		Milk

### Dinner

Swiss Steak		Baked Potatoes
Fried Onions	Butter	Creamed Carrots
Bread	Grapefruit and Celery Salad	Chow-Chow
		Cheese Crackers

## NOVEMBER 10

### Lunch

Corn Soufflé		Scalloped Potatoes
Bread	Butter	Dill Pickles
Banana Fritters		Sauce

### Dinner

Boiled Tongue		Glazed Sweet Potatoes
Tomato Sauce		Creamed Parsnips or Turnips
Swiss Chard	Bread	Butter
Apples		Mixed Nuts

## NOVEMBER 11

### Lunch

Creamed Dried Beef		Baked Potatoes
Bread	Butter	Spiced Peaches
Waldorf Salad		Cheese Crackers

### Dinner

Rice and Meat in Casserole		Creamed Onions
Baked Squash	Bread	Butter
Chocolate Steamed Pudding		Foamy Sauce
		Coffee

## NOVEMBER 12

### Lunch

Cream of Corn Soup		Saltines
Tuna Fish Salad		Corn Bread
Butter	Orange Marmalade or Syrup	

### Dinner

Salmon Croquettes		Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Peas		Lettuce Salad
Bread	Butter	Coffee
Bread Pudding		Vanilla Wafers

## NOVEMBER 13

### Lunch

Vegetable Soup		Saltines
Baked Beans	Catsup	Cole Slaw
	Apple Sauce	

Bread

### Dinner

Broiled Ham		Creamed Potatoes
Boiled Cabbage with Dressing		Celery
Bread	Butter	Coffee
Cocoanut Custard		Saltines



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## NOVEMBER 14 (Sunday)

### Dinner

Veal Cutlets in Casserole	Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Celery	Stewed Tomatoes
Bread	Butter
Date Pudding	Whipped Cream
	Currant Jelly
	Milk

### Supper

Waldorf Salad	Welsh Rarebit on Toast	Salted Peanuts
Chocolate		Oatmeal Cookies

## NOVEMBER 15

### Lunch

Italian Spaghetti	Stuffed Green Peppers
Bread	Butter
Baked Apple	Cucumber Pickles
	Cream

### Dinner

Reheated Cutlets in Casserole	Boiled Sweet Potatoes
Creamed Onions	Kale
Bread	Butter
	Banana Cream Pie
	Cole Slaw
	Tea

## NOVEMBER 16

### Lunch

Scalloped Oysters	Fried Sweet Potatoes
Bread	Butter
Grapefruit and Celery Salad	Spiced Peaches
	Cheese Crackers

### Dinner

Stuffed Beef Heart	French Fried Potatoess
Spinach with Egg	Bread
Prune	Butter
Celery	Fluff with Custard Sauce

## NOVEMBER 17

### Lunch

	Corn Chowder
Mexican Beans	Butter
Bread	Cabbage and Nut Salad
Milk	Carrot Marmalade
	Tea

### Dinner

Mutton Chops	Mashed Potatoes
Buttered Beets	Tomato Relish
Bread	Butter
Fruit Jello with Whipped Cream	Creamed Celery

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## NOVEMBER 18

### Lunch

Cream of Tomato Soup		Croûtons
Scalloped Potatoes		Dill Pickles
Bread	Butter	Waldorf Salad

### Dinner

	Veal Stew with Dumplings	
Creamed Brussel Sprouts		Buttered Parsnips
	Baked Squash	
Bread	Butter	Spiced Pears
	Lemon Pie	

## NOVEMBER 19

### Lunch

Cheese Soufflé		Cole Slaw
Banana and Nut Salad		Gingerbread
Milk		Butter

### Dinner

Broiled Trout		Boiled Sweet Potatoes
Creamed Carrots	Egg Sauce	Kale
Baked Apple		Bread
		Cream
		Butter

## NOVEMBER 20

### Lunch

Vegetable Soup		Saltines
	Baked Beans	
Cottage Cheese Salad	Bread	Butter
Cup Cake		Foamy Sauce

### Dinner

Stuffed Round Steak		Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Onions		Chili Sauce
	Cabbage and Apple Salad	
Bread	Butter	Milk
	Chocolate Custard	Cream
		Coffee

## NOVEMBER 21 (Sunday)

### Dinner

Baked Ham		Glazed Sweet Potatoes
	Creamed Cauliflower	Spinach
Cranberry Jelly	Bread	Butter
Vanilla Ice Cream		Saltines
		Coffee

### Supper

Oyster Stew		Crackers
Sandwiches (Peanut Butter, Cheese and Date, Lettuce)		Chocolate
Celery		
	Cocoanut Cake	

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## NOVEMBER 22

### Lunch

Cream of Celery Soup	Saltines
Boiled Rice	
Scalloped Tomatoes	Waldorf Salad
Bread	Cherry Jam

### Dinner

Cold Ham	Creamed Potatoes
Fried Egg Plant or Parsnips	Chili Sauce
Creamed Turnips	Butter
Caramel Pie or Mince Pie	Coffee
	Cheese

## NOVEMBER 23

### Lunch

Lima Beans in Casserole	Cole Slaw
Graham Muffins	Butter
Cranberry Sauce	Milk

### Dinner

Ham Omelet	Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Peas	Kale
Bread	Celery
Brown Betty	Coffee
	Foamy Sauce

## NOVEMBER 24

### Lunch

Cream of Pea Soup	Croûtons
Scalloped Corn	
Grapefruit and Celery Salad	Raisin Bread
	Butter

### Dinner

Meat Pie	Baked Sweet Potatoes
Creamed Carrots	Cucumber Pickles
	Kale or Spinach
Bread	Butter
Apple Dumpling	Milk
	Hard Sauce

## NOVEMBER 25 (Thanksgiving Day)

### Dinner

#### I.

Celery	Clear Soup	Bread Sticks
Roast Chicken	Stuffing	Mashed Potatoes
Buttered Asparagus	Giblet Gravy	Cranberry Sauce
Parker House Rolls	Butter	Olives
Mixed Nuts	Pumpkin Pie	Fruit

#### II.

	Oyster Stew	
	Stuffing	Giblet Gravy
Roast Chicken		Creamed Onions
Mashed Potatoes		Parker House Rolls
Cranberry Jelly		Ripe Olives
Sweet Pickles	Butter	
Mince Pie	Cheese	Cider

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## III.

Giblet	Roast Turkey	Boiled Squash	Oyster Stuffing	Cranberry Sauce
Gravy				
Mashed Potatoes		Butter	Creamed Brussel Sprouts	
Parker House Rolls			Olives	Celery
Raisins			Mixed Nuts	
Coffee		Pumpkin Pie		Cheese

## Supper

Apples	Fruit Salad	Nuts	Cheese Crackers	Chocolate
		Fruit Cake		

## NOVEMBER 26

### Lunch

Codfish Chowder or Creamed Chicken	Boiled Sweet Potatoes
Cottage Cheese and Nut Salad	Cornmeal Muffins
Black Raspberry Jam	

### Dinner

Broiled Halibut	Mashed Potatoes
Spinach with Egg	Butter
Celery	
Bread	
Coffee	Creamed Turnips
Cherry Pudding	Sauce

## NOVEMBER 27

### Lunch

Baked Beans	Chicken Soup with Noodles
	Butter
	Steamed Brown Bread
	Creamed Rice with Raisins

### Dinner

	Rice and Meat in Casserole
	Creamed Onions
Spinach	Waldorf Salad
Bread	Butter
Orange Custard	Cucumber Pickles
	Tea

## NOVEMBER 28 (Sunday)

### Dinner

Lamb Chops	Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Brussel Sprouts and Celery	Olives
Cranberry Sauce	Butter
Coffee	Date Pudding
	Whipped Cream

### Supper

Celery	Stuffed Egg Salad	Nut Bread
	Salted Peanuts	Butter
Chocolate	Oatmeal Cookies	

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## NOVEMBER 29

### Lunch

Macaroni and Cheese	Milk	Dill Pickles	
Banana and Nut Salad		Bread	Butter
Baked Apple		Cream	

### Dinner

Veal Birds		Mashed Potatoes	
Corn Relish	Boiled Cabbage with Dressing		
	Bread		Butter
	Fruit Jello with Whipped Cream		

## NOVEMBER 30

### Lunch

Cream of Potato Soup		Saltines
Scalloped Corn		Chili Sauce
Butter	Graham Muffins	Cranberry Sauce

### Dinner

Meat Loaf		Baked Potatoes
Gravy	Buttered Beets	Lettuce Salad
Bread	Coffee	Butter
	Banana Cream Pie	

## DECEMBER 1. (Wednesday)

### Lunch

Vegetable Soup		Saltines
Potato and Pea Salad		Baking Powder Biscuits
Honey		Milk

### Dinner

Reheated Meat Loaf		Mashed Potatoes
Tomato Sauce		Creamed String Beans
Bread	Baked Squash	Butter
Coffee	Caramel Custard	Celery
		Cream

## DECEMBER 2

### Lunch

Creamed Dried Beef		Baked Sweet Potatoes
Cole Slaw	Bread	Butter
	Sliced Oranges and	Cocoanut

### Dinner

Liver and Bacon		Mashed Potatoes
Spinach		Lettuce and Onion Salad
Chow-Chow	Bread	Butter
Brown Betty	Hard Sauce	Vanilla Wafers

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## DECEMBER 3

### Lunch

Cheese Soufflé	Corn Chowder		Waldorf Salad
Bread	Butter	Milk	Coffee
	Gingerbread		

### Dinner

Salmon Croquettes		Creamed Peas
Mashed Potatoes		Spiced Currants
Bread	Celery	Butter
Caramel Custard		Whipped Cream

## DECEMBER 4

### Lunch

Potato Cakes		Mustard Sardines
Cabbage and Celery Salad	Graham Muffins	Butter
Apple Jelly	Milk	

### Dinner

Pork Tenderloin		Baked Potatoes
Creamed Onions	Kale	Milk Gravy
Bread	Butter	Mixed Nuts
	Apples	

## DECEMBER 5 (Sunday)

### Dinner

Chicken Pie		Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Celery	Cranberry Sauce	Olives
Bread	Butter	Coffee
Vanilla Ice Cream	Chocolate Sauce	
	Saltines	

### Supper

Raw Oysters	or	Oyster Stew
Potato Chips	Bread	Butter
Pineapple Salad		Cheese Crackers
Chocolate		Mixed Nuts
	Popcorn Balls	

## DECEMBER 6

### Lunch

	Chicken Soup with Rice	
Egg, Olive and Potato Salad	Bread	Butter
Grape Jelly	Apple Sauce	Cream

### Dinner

Broiled Ham		Creamed Potatoes
Brussel Sprouts	Bread	Butter
Cucumber Pickles		Milk
Raisin Pie	Coffee	Celery
		Cheese



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## DECEMBER 7

### Lunch

Cream of Corn Soup      Saltines  
 Scalloped Oysters      Bread      Butter  
                  Cabbage and Celery Salad  
 Doughnuts      Coffee

### Dinner

Pot Roast      Brown Potatoes  
 Gravy      Celery      Creamed Onions      Lettuce Salad  
 Bread      Butter      Milk  
          Prune Fluff      Custard Sauce

## DECEMBER 8

### Lunch

Vegetable Chowder  
 Rice and Cheese Croquettes with Tomato Sauce  
 Bread      Butter      Celery  
          Peach Sauce      Cream

### Dinner

Reheated Pot Roast with Gravy  
 Mashed Potatoes      Baked Squash      Creamed Cauliflower  
 Cole Slaw      Bread      Butter  
          Bread Pudding      Coffee

## DECEMBER 9

### Lunch

Cream of Potato Soup      Saltines  
 Scalloped Corn  
 Banana and Nut Salad      White Muffins      Butter  
          Apple Fritters      Sauce

### Dinner

Rice and Meat in Casserole  
 Boiled Cabbage with Dressing      Creamed Turnips  
 Bread      Butter      Spiced Peaches  
          Date Pudding with Whipped Cream

## DECEMBER 10

### Lunch

Creamed Tuna Fish      Baked Potatoes  
 Cucumber Pickles or Corn Relish      Bread      Butter  
          Baked Apple Stuffed with Raisins      Cream

### Dinner

Broiled Halibut      Mashed Potatoes  
 Spinach with Egg      Celery      Baked Squash  
 Bread      Butter      Coffee  
          Apricot Sherbet or Apricot Fluff and Foamy Sauce

# WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DINNER?

## DECEMBER 11

### Lunch

Baked Beans  
 Bread  
 French Toast  
 Cole Slaw  
 Butter  
 Syrup  
 Grape Jelly  
 Catsup

### Dinner

Liver and Bacon  
 Buttered Beets  
 Bread  
 Apple Dumpling  
 Celery  
 Butter  
 Hard Sauce  
 Glazed Sweet Potatoes  
 Spiced Pears

## DECEMBER 12 (Sunday)

### Dinner

Roast Pork  
 Sauer Kraut  
 Cranberry Jelly  
 Pineapple Sauce  
 Mashed Potatoes  
 Creamed Carrots  
 Bread  
 Devil's Food Cake  
 Celery  
 Butter  
 Coffee

### Supper

Soft Boiled Eggs  
 Grapefruit and Celery Salad  
 Mixed Nuts  
 Bread  
 Butter  
 Chocolats  
 Popcorn Rolls

## DECEMBER 13

### Lunch

Cream of Celery Soup  
 Scalloped Potatoes  
 Corn Bread  
 Cucumber Pickles  
 Saltines  
 Bread  
 Syrup  
 Butter

### Dinner

Cold Roast Pork  
 Buttered Turnips  
 Butter  
 Mince Pie  
 Swiss Chard  
 Chili Sauce  
 Cheese  
 Creamed Potatoes  
 Bread  
 Milk  
 Coffee

## DECEMBER 14

### Lunch

Cream of Tomato Soup  
 Meat and Potato Cakes  
 Baking Powder Biscuits  
 Butter  
 Croûtons  
 Cole Slaw  
 Honey

### Dinner

Beef Birds  
 Creamed Onions  
 Bread  
 Chocolate Soufflé  
 Celery  
 Butter  
 Mashed Potatoes  
 Corn Relish  
 Milk  
 Foamy Sauce

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## DECEMBER 15

### Lunch

Creamed Dried Beef		Boiled Rice
Pickled Peaches	Bread	Butter
Baked Apple	Stuffed with Raisins	
Sugar Cookies		Cream

### Dinner

Boiled Tongue		Baked Sweet Potatoes
Kale	Tomato Sauce	Creamed Celery
Bread	Butter	Tea
Lemon Custard		Sugar Cookies

## DECEMBER 16

### Lunch

	Scalloped Corn	
Pickled Pigs Feet or Mustard	Sardines	
Cornmeal Muffins	Butter	Syrup
Apple Sauce		Cream

### Dinner

Cold Tongue		Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Brussel Sprouts and Celery		Chili Sauce
Bread	Asparagus Salad	
	Butter	Coffee
Cranberry Pie		Cheese

## DECEMBER 17

### Lunch

Mexican Beans	or	Oyster Stew
Grapefruit and Celery Salad	Bread	Butter
Catsup	Doughnuts	Coffee

### Dinner

Broiled Halibut or Baked Haddock with	Stuffing
Lemon	Creamed Potatoes
Bread	Buttered Beets
	Stewed Tomatoes
Creamed Rice with Dates	Cream

## DECEMBER 18

### Lunch

Vegetable Soup	Saltines
Cottage Cheese Salad	Hash Brown Potatoes
Bread	Butter
Canned Peaches	Cream

### Dinner

Veal Stew with Dumplings	Glazed Sweet Potatoes
Cole Slaw	Creamed Turnips
	Pickled Peaches
Bread	Butter
	Pumpkin Pie
	Coffee

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## DECEMBER 19 (Sunday)

### Dinner

Roast Lamb	Brown Potatoes
Brussel Sprouts	Creamed Lima Beans
Cranberry Sauce	Butter
Apples	Mixed Nuts
Bread	Coffee

### Supper

Waldorf Salad	Welsh Rarebit on Toast	Butter
Chocolate	Nut Bread	
	Marshmallows	

## DECEMBER 20

### Lunch

Kidney Stew	Scalloped Potatoes	Butter
Celery	Bread	
Caramel Custard		Cream

### Dinner

Lamb Reheated with Gravy	Mashed Potatoes
Spinach with Egg	Pepper Relish
Bread	Succotash
Brown Betty	Foamy Sauce
	Milk

## DECEMBER 21

### Lunch

Cream of Potato Soup	Saltines
Baked Beans	Catsup
	Bread
Banana and Nut Salad	Butter

### Dinner

Stuffed Beef Heart	Boiled Sweet Potatoes
Creamed Onions	Cucumber Pickles
Bread	Cranberry Sauce
	Cream
Spinach	
Butter	
Tapioca Custard	

## DECEMBER 22

### Lunch

Boiled Rice	Cheese Sauce
Bread	Cabbage and Nut Salad
Butter	Sauce
Banana Fritters	

### Dinner

Baked Ham	Mashed Potatoes	Bread
Creamed Carrots	Celery	
Butter	Chili Sauce	Coffee
Apple Dumpling	Hard Sauce	

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## DECEMBER 23

### Lunch

Macaroni and Cheese      Fried Sweet Potatoes  
Waldorf Salad      Bread      Butter      Milk  
Tea      Rhubarb Conserve

### Dinner

Cold Baked Ham      Creamed Potatoes  
Buttered Beets      Swiss Chard  
Bread      Butter      Chow-Chow  
Pumpkin Pie      Cheese

## DECEMBER 24

### Lunch

Creamed Tuna      Fish or Creamed Ham  
Baked Potatoes      Cole Slaw  
Graham Muffins      Butter      Apple Jelly

### Dinner

Salmon Loaf      Mashed Potatoes  
Creamed Carrots and Peas      Pear Salad  
Bread      Butter      Coffee  
Bread Pudding

## DECEMBER 25 (Christmas)

### Dinner

Clear Soup      Bread Sticks  
Roast Turkey or Chicken      Mashed Potatoes  
Potato Stuffing      Boiled Squash  
Creamed Onions      Lettuce Salad with Cheese Straws  
Bread      Butter      Olives      Coffee      Salted Pecans  
English Plum Pudding      Sweet Sauce  
(See Thanksgiving Menus Also.)

### Supper

Grapefruit and Celery Salad      Bread      Butter  
Chocolate      Fruit Cake  
Apples      Mixed Nuts

## DECEMBER 26 (Sunday)

### Dinner

Chicken or Turkey a la King      Toast  
Glazed Sweet Potatoes      Creamed Celery  
Bread      Butter      Cranberry Sauce  
Reheated English Plum Pudding      Sweet Sauce  
or

Mince Pie

Cheese

### Supper

Oyster Stew      Saltines  
Stuffed Egg Salad      Bread      Butter  
Chocolate      Fruit Cake  
Nuts      Apples

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## DECEMBER 27

### Lunch

Vegetable Soup	Saltines
Rice and Cheese Croquettes	Tomato Sauce
Bread	Apple Sauce
Butter	

### Dinner

Creamed Chicken	or Turkey in Pastry Cases
Mashed Potatoes	Succotash
Bread	Creamed Onions
	Butter
Cranberry Pie	Celery
	Coffee

## DECEMBER 28

### Lunch

Chicken or Turkey Soup with Noodles	
Lima Beans in Casserole	Cole Slaw
Bread	Milk
Butter	
Sliced Oranges with Cocoanut	
Nuts	

### Dinner

Lamb Chops	Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Brussel Sprouts	Celery
Bread	Plum Conserve
Waldorf Salad	Cheese Straws
	Butter

## DECEMBER 29

### Lunch

Fish Chowder	
Bread	Butter
Italian Spaghetti	
Cup Cake	Foamy Sauce

### Dinner

Swiss Steak	Baked Potatoes
Fried Onions	Creamed Carrots
Bread	Dill Pickles
	Sauce
Cherry Pudding	
	Butter

## DECEMBER 30

### Lunch

Creamed Dried Beef	Boiled Sweet Potatoes
Spiced Peaches	Butter
Baking Powder Biscuits	Honey

### Dinner

Meat Pie or Fried Oysters	Brussel Sprouts with Bacon
Creamed Turnips	Raised Biscuits
Coffee	Corn Relish
Canned Pineapple	Sugar Cookies
	Butter



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## DECEMBER 31

### Lunch

Cream of Tomato Soup		Croûtons
Codfish Cakes		Hash Brown Potatoes
Bread	Butter	Catsup
Sliced Bananas	Cream	

### Dinner

Broiled Halibut		Creamed Potatoes
Baked Squash		Spinach with Egg
Bread	Butter	Coffee
Brown Betty		Foamy Sauce

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### RECIPES

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#### SOUPS, CHOWDERS, ETC.

Cream soups are made of vegetables with milk and seasonings. They are always slightly thickened. A general formula for the white sauce to be used for cream soups follows:

- 1 cup milk
- 2 tablespoons flour
- 2 tablespoons butter
- $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon salt

The vegetable, for example celery, is usually cut in small pieces and cooked in a small amount of water. It is then mashed and strained into the white sauce. Any left-over vegetable as potatoes, peas, corn, celery, spinach or tomatoes, can be used in this way. Some prefer the addition of an onion to nearly all creamed soups. This has to be left to individual tastes. For a detailed discussion of cream soups see a good cook book, as The Boston Cooking School Cook Book.

The above formula is also used for creamed vegetables as peas, carrots, potatoes, etc., and for meats and fish, as creamed ham, dried beef, tuna fish, etc. If one prefers a thicker sauce more flour is added.

#### Croûtons

Spread stale bread thinly with butter, remove crusts, cut in one-third inch cubes, put in pan and bake until brown or fry in deep fat.

#### Vegetable Soup.

- 2 lbs. shin bone or
- 2 oxtails
- $\frac{1}{2}$  turnip
- 1 carrot
- 4 potatoes

- 3 tablespoons rice or barley
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup celery
- 1 small red pepper
- About 4 quarts cold water
- Salt and pepper

Cook meat in the water about 2 hours. Add vegetables and cook  $1\frac{1}{2}$  hours longer. Add more water when necessary.

#### Oyster Stew.

- 1 quart oysters
- 4 cups scalded milk
- $\frac{1}{4}$  cup butter
- 2 teaspoons salt
- $\frac{1}{4}$  teaspoon pepper

Pick over oysters and wash carefully. Heat liquor to boiling point, strain, add oysters and cook until oysters are plump and edges begin to curl. Add scalded milk, butter, salt and pepper. Serve with oyster crackers or saltines.

#### Corn Chowder.

- 1 can corn
- 4 cups potatoes cut in  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch slices
- $1\frac{1}{2}$  inch cube of fat salt pork
- 1 sliced onion
- 4 cups scalded milk
- 8 crackers
- 3 tablespoons butter
- Salt and pepper

Cut pork into small pieces and try out; add onion and cook five minutes. Strain fat into stewpan, Par-boil potatoes 5 minutes, drain. Add potatoes to fat. Then add 2 cups boiling water. Cook until potatoes are soft, add corn and milk. Season with salt and pepper, add butter, and broken crackers. Serve hot.

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### Welsh Rarebit.

- 1 tablespoon butter
- 1 teaspoon cornstarch
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup thin cream
- $\frac{1}{2}$  lb. soft mild cheese cut in small pieces
- $\frac{1}{4}$  teaspoon salt
- $\frac{1}{4}$  teaspoon mustard
- Few gratings cayenne
- Toast

Melt butter, add cornstarch, and stir until well mixed, then add cream gradually, stirring constantly. Cook two minutes. Add cheese and stir until cheese is melted. Season and serve on toast or crackers. A rarebit should be smooth and of a creamy consistency, never stringy.

### Fish Chowder

Proceed as for corn chowder but use 2 small cans of fish flakes instead of corn.

### Vegetable Chowder.

- $\frac{1}{4}$  cup dried split peas
- $\frac{1}{4}$  cup dried white beans
- 1 cup diced potatoes
- $1\frac{1}{2}$  cup diced celery
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup diced turnips
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup diced carrots
- 1 cup strained tomatoes
- 3 tablespoons butter
- 1 tablespoon chopped parsley
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup diced onions
- $1\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon salt

Soak peas and beans over night. Cook them in water to cover until tender. Add the other vegetables. Cook until all are tender. Add sufficient water to make  $1\frac{1}{2}$  quarts of chowder. Add salt and butter and serve.

### Cheese Sauce.

- 1 cup milk
- 3 tablespoons flour
- 2 tablespoons butter
- $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon salt
- 1 tablespoon grated cheese

Make the white sauce and then melt cheese in it. If a thinner white sauce is desired use less flour.

### Creamed Eggs.

Place a hard boiled egg cut length wise on a slice of toast. Pour over it a well seasoned white sauce.

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#### Duck Stuffing (Peanut).

- $\frac{3}{4}$  cup cracker crumbs
  - $\frac{1}{2}$  cup shelled peanuts finely chopped
  - $\frac{1}{2}$  cup heavy cream
  - 2 tablespoons butter
  - Few drops of onion juice
  - Salt, pepper, cayenne
- Mix ingredients in the order given.

#### Salmon Loaf.

- 1 can salmon
- $\frac{1}{2}$  tablespoon melted butter
- 1 cup bread crumbs
- 3 eggs (beaten)
- $\frac{3}{8}$  cup milk

Mix well together and put into buttered pan and put pan in hot water and bake 1 hour.

#### Sauce for Salmon Loaf.

- 1 cup milk
  - 1 tablespoon flour
  - 2 teaspoons butter
  - 3 teaspoons catsup
  - 1 egg
  - Pinch mace
- Heat in double boiler.

#### Tomato Sauce.

- $1\frac{1}{2}$  cup strained, stewed tomatoes or
  - $\frac{1}{2}$  cup condensed tomato and 1 cup water
  - 2 tablespoons butter
  - 2 tablespoons flour
  - 1 teaspoon salt
- Heat the tomato, rub flour and butter together. Pour over this the hot tomato, slowly stirring mixture. Boil for 5 minutes. A little onion or celery salt may be added.

#### Lemon Sauce for Fish.

- $\frac{1}{4}$  cup butter
- $\frac{1}{4}$  cup flour
- $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon salt
- $\frac{1}{4}$  cup vinegar or lemon juice
- $\frac{1}{8}$  teaspoon cayenne
- $1\frac{3}{4}$  cup hot water

Cook about 5 minutes, then put in 1 tablespoon parsley.

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### Egg Sauce for Fish.

2 tablespoons butter, melted  
2 tablespoons flour  
Salt and pepper

Add boiling water to form a rather thick paste. Cool and add yolk of 1 egg and 1 tablespoon vinegar or lemon juice.

### Meat Loaf.

2 lbs. ground beef  
¼ lb. ground salt pork  
½ cup milk

1 onion  
2 eggs  
2 teaspoons salt  
1 teaspoon pepper

Make into a loaf, put in pan and bake 2 hours.

### Hamburger Layer.

2 lbs. ground beef  
¼ lb. ground salt pork  
2 teaspoons salt  
1 teaspoon pepper

Spread out in baking dish until about 1½ inch thick. Put on top 2 medium sized onions, sliced thin, and 1 green pepper sliced thin, and enough tomato pulp to cover top or about 3 good sized tomatoes. Bake about 40 minutes.

### Lamb Croquettes.

Grind up left-over lamb. To 1 cup of lamb add 1 cup of boiled potatoes or boiled rice, 1 tablespoon chopped onion, 3 tablespoons shortening, 1 cup thick white sauce, salt and pepper. Fry onion and then mix all together, shape and roll in dry bread crumbs, fry in deep fat and drain. Serve with tomato sauce.

### Finnan Haddie.

Soak the finnan haddie to freshen it, as you would salted codfish. Then boil it until tender, drain, and pour white sauce over it. If codfish or finnan haddie are tied up in pieces of cloth they do not break up so while boiling.

### Beef Birds.

Cut round steak into rather small pieces (2 in. x 3 in.) and salt and pepper it. Mix equal parts of chopped onion and beef suet together. Put about 2 tablespoons on each piece of steak and fold steak into a small roll. Either sew sides together or clamp them together by means of toothpick. Fry until brown, put in casserole, add a small amount of water and bake until done.

### Chicken a la King.

2 cups cold diced fowl  
1 green pepper  
1 onion  
1 can mushrooms  
3 tablespoons butter  
1 tablespoon cornstarch  
1½ cup milk  
½ cup cream  
2 egg yolks  
Paprika

Take the shredded green pepper and 1 can mushrooms and cook in the 3 tablespoons butter 5 minutes. Add 1 small grated onion, 1 tablespoon cornstarch, 1½ cup milk, salt and paprika to taste. Add the chicken and bring to boiling point, and add ½ cup cream with 2 egg yolks beaten in it. Add a little lemon juice and serve on toast.

### Swiss Steak.

Dredge round steak with flour, pound with a hammer until flour is pounded into meat. Repeat until meat will not hold any more flour. Salt and pepper must also be added. Fry in hot fat until done. Tough meat is made, by this method, more palatable.

### Stuffed Round Steak.

Make a stuffing out of bread, onions, sage, salt, and pepper, and small amount of suet. Place dressing on round steak and fold meat over it. Sew sides of meat together to hold in place. Put in baking pan with small amount of water and bake until done. Turn frequently and baste if it isn't in a self-basting roaster.

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### Veal Birds.

Use slices of veal from leg cut as thinly as possible and salt and pepper. Cut in pieces about  $2\frac{1}{2}$  in. x 2 in. Make a dressing as for stuffed steak. Sew each bird up. Fry until brown then place in baking dish, add cream to half cover meat, cook slowly until done.

### Veal Cutlets in Casserole.

Salt and pepper veal cutlets. Dip in beaten egg, then in cracker or dry bread crumbs. Fry in hot fat until a golden brown. Put in casserole, add enough milk to just come to top of meat. Put small piece of butter on top. Bake slowly until done.

### Milk Gravy.

After meat is fried put flour to brown in pan. When a golden brown add milk instead of water to make gravy.

### Casserole of Rice and Meat.

Line a mold slightly greased with steamed rice. Fill the center with 2 cups of cold, finely chopped meat highly seasoned with salt, pepper, celery salt and onion juice. Then add 1 cup cracker crumbs, one egg slightly beaten and enough hot water to moisten. Cover meat with rice, cover rice with buttered paper to keep out moisture while steaming and steam 45 minutes. Serve on a platter surrounded with tomato sauce.

### Fricassee of Chicken.

Boil cut up fowl until tender. Remove chicken and remove all meat from bones. Season and boil liquor until it has been reduced enough to give good flavor. Thicken and pour over chicken. Fowls which are always made tender by long cooking are frequently cooked this way.

### Baked Ham.

Soak ham (whole or part of ham) several hours in cold water. Put on to cook in cold water, cook until tender. Remove from fire and let partially cool. Take ham out of water, remove outside skin, sprinkle with

sugar and cracker crumbs, and stick with cloves one-half inch apart. Bake one hour in slow oven.

### Fricassee of Veal

Take two pounds of sliced veal cut from loin and cover with boiling water. Add one small onion, two stalks of celery and a sliced carrot. Cook slowly until meat is tender. Remove meat, sprinkle with salt and pepper, dredge with flour and fry until brown in hot fat. Strain liquor (there should be about 2 cups), melt 4 tablespoons butter, add 4 tablespoons flour and strained liquor. Bring to boiling point, season with salt and pepper and pour around meat.

### Salmon Croquettes

2 cups cold flaked salmon  
1 cup thick white sauce  
1 teaspoon lemon juice  
Few grains of cayenne  
Salt

Add sauce to salmon, then add seasonings. Shape, dip in crumbs, egg, crumbs again, fry in deep fat and drain.

### Fish and Macaroni.

2 cups cold flaked fish  
3 tablespoons butter  
3 tablespoons flour  
 $1\frac{1}{2}$  cups milk  
1 teaspoon salt  
 $\frac{1}{8}$  teaspoon pepper  
1 tablespoon chopped parsley  
2 hard boiled eggs  
3 cups cooked macaroni or spaghetti  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  cup bread crumbs

Melt butter, add flour, and stir in milk. Cook until thick, add salt, pepper, parsley and fish. Put a layer of macaroni in a greased baking dish, add layer of above sauce and sliced eggs. Repeat until dish is full. Spread bread crumbs on top, dot with butter and bake in moderate oven until brown—about 25 minutes.

### Corn Beef Hash.

Remove skin, gristle and part of fat from corn beef. To the chopped meat add equal quantity of cold boil-

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ed chopped potatoes. Season with salt and pepper, put into a hot well greased frying pan, moisten with milk or cream, mix well, spread evenly in pan, and put over a slow fire to brown underneath. Turn and fold on hot platter.

### Scalloped Oysters.

- 1 pint oysters
- 4 tablespoon oyster liquor
- 4 tablespoons cream
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup dry bread crumbs
- 1 cup cracker crumbs
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup melted butter
- Salt, pepper

Mix bread and cracker crumbs, stir in butter. Put a thin layer on bottom of shallow baking dish, cover with oysters, sprinkle with salt and pepper, add  $\frac{1}{2}$  of oyster liquor and  $\frac{1}{2}$  of cream. Repeat and cover top with remaining crumbs. Bake thirty minutes in hot oven. Never allow more than two layers of oysters for scalloped oysters; if three layers are used the middle layer will be underdone.

### Stuffed Beef Heart.

Wash and clean out a beef heart. Stuff with a rather highly seasoned stuffing and sew up openings. Sprinkle with salt and pepper. Roll in flour and brown in hot fat. Place in deep covered baking dish, cover it half with boiling water, and bake until tender, basting or turning frequently. It may be necessary to add more water. When heart is done remove it and thicken and season the liquor for gravy.

### Salmon Cutlets.

- 2 cups hot boiled rice
- 1 lb. canned salmon
- 1 tablespoon chopped parsley
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- 1 beaten egg

Remove skin and bones from salmon and separate into flakes. Mix salmon, rice, parsley, salt, lemon juice and egg together and spread out to cool. Shape into cutlets, dip in beaten egg and then into bread crumbs,

and fry in hot fat until brown or brown in hot oven.

### Scrambled Eggs and Dried Beef.

Add small pieces of dried beef to eggs which are being scrambled. This adds a different flavor to scrambled eggs and makes them very palatable.

### Kidney Stew.

Soak, pare and cut in slices six young kidneys, and sprinkle with salt and pepper. Melt two tablespoons of shortening in hot frying pan, put in kidneys and cook 5 minutes. Dredge thoroughly with flour, and add  $\frac{2}{3}$  cup boiling water. Cook 5 minutes, and add more salt and pepper if needed. Lemon juice or onion juice can be added for flavor if desired.

### Ham Omelet.

Add small pieces of ham to egg mixture just before starting to fry omelet. For a full discussion of omelets see a good cook book as Boston Cooking School Cook Book.

### Codfish Cakes.

Freshen codfish and cook until tender. Remove all bones. To 1 cup of codfish add 2 cups cold mashed potatoes and 1 beaten egg, salt and pepper to taste. Make into cakes and fry in hot fat until brown. A little onion can be added if one likes the flavor.

### Scalloped Salmon.

- 1 can salmon
- 1 egg
- 1 pint milk
- 3 tablespoons flour
- $1\frac{1}{2}$  tablespoons butter

Put the milk on stove in double boiler, keeping out  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup. Mix butter and flour to a smooth paste and add the egg well beaten, then the  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup of cold milk. Mix well, then stir into the milk, flour, egg mixture which should be smooth and thick like gravy. Season with salt and pepper and set aside to cool. Butter a baking dish and fill with alternate layers of flaked salmon and the white



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sauce. The top layer should be of the white sauce. Sprinkle with cracker crumbs and bake  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour in moderate oven.

### VEGETABLES.

#### Scalloped Potatoes.

Pare and cut potatoes in about  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch slices and put in buttered casserole or baking dish. Sprinkle with salt, pepper, and dredge with flour and dot over with small pieces of butter. Repeat until dish is nearly full. Add hot milk until it may be seen through top layer, bake until potatoes are soft.

In order to vary the flavor of scalloped potatoes or corn a few slices of bacon or small pieces of ham can be put amongst potatoes or corn. Either of these additions add greatly to the palatability of these dishes.

#### Italian Spaghetti.

Break about one quarter pound of spaghetti into 2 in. to 3 in. pieces and put into boiling, salted water. Cook until tender. Drain and pour a dash of cold water over it. Cut an onion into small pieces and fry in saucepan until done, then add a quart can of tomatoes,  $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon salt and  $\frac{1}{8}$  teaspoon of paprika. Let cook slowly for about two hours. Reheat spaghetti in tomato mixture and serve.

#### Scalloped Corn.

$\frac{1}{2}$  cup butter  
 $\frac{1}{4}$  cup flour  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon salt  
1 tablespoon sugar  
1 pint fresh corn or drained canned corn  
1 cup bread crumbs  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  cup hot milk

Heat milk in double boiler, mix butter and flour together, and add hot water, stirring meanwhile. Then add the corn, the salt and sugar. Let come to boiling point and turn into baking dish. Cover top with bread crumbs and make 15-20 minutes.

#### Glazed Sweet Potatoes.

Wash and peel 6 medium sized sweet potatoes. Cook 10 minutes in boiling water to which has been added 1 teaspoon salt. Drain potatoes, cut into thick slices lengthwise and put into buttered pan or casserole. Make syrup by boiling 3 minutes 1 cup sugar and  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup water. Add 1 tablespoon butter. Pour over potatoes and bake until tender. Baste several times.

#### Lima Beans in Casserole.

Soak 2 cups lima beans over night in cold water. Drain and put into casserole and sprinkle with salt and pepper. Cut a two inch cube of fat pork in small pieces and fry out and strain. To fat add one small onion thinly sliced and one-half cup of diced carrots. Stir until vegetables are brown. Add to beans, dot over with 2 tablespoons butter and add milk to half the height of beans. Cover and cook in a slow oven until beans are soft.

#### Scalloped Cabbage.

Cook cabbage until tender, drain. For 1 quart of cooked cabbage follow amounts for scalloped corn.

#### Corn Soufflé

1 can corn  
1 tablespoon butter  
2 tablespoons flour  
1 cup milk  
 $1\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon salt  
2 eggs  
Pepper

Melt butter, add flour, pour on gradually milk, bring to boiling point, add corn, seasonings, yolks of eggs well beaten, and lastly fold in whites of eggs beaten stiff. Turn into buttered dish and bake about 30 minutes in a moderate oven.

#### Fried Rice.

Fry a finely chopped onion in bacon drippings until brown. Add as much cold boiled rice as is wanted and fry until thoroughly heated.

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### Boiled Cabbage With Dressing.

Cook cabbage in salted, boiling water. Pour over it following dressing.

- 2 egg yolks
- 3 tablespoons sour cream
- 2 tablespoons vinegar
- 1 tablespoon sugar

### Cheese Soufflé

- 2 tablespoons butter
- 3 tablespoons flour
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup milk
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup grated cheese
- $\frac{3}{4}$  teaspoon salt
- Few grains of cayenne
- Yolks of 3 eggs
- Whites of 2 eggs

Melt butter, add flour, stir until well blended; pour on gradually  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup scalded milk. Then add cheese, salt and cayenne. Remove from fire, add well beaten yolks. Cool mixture and cut and fold in well beaten whites of eggs. Pour into buttered baking dish and bake 20 minutes in slow oven. Serve at once.

### Mexican Beans.

- 1 can kidney beans
  - $\frac{1}{4}$  cup cream
  - $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon salt
  - 2 teaspoons mustard
  - $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon paprika
- Cook over asbestos 20 minutes.

### Potato Puff.

- 2 cups mashed potatoes
- 2 eggs (well beaten)
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup milk

Seasoning

Beat well and bake in oven.

### Baked Stuffed Potatoes.

When baked potatoes are done cut in half and remove contents of shell. Add milk, butter, salt and pepper (amounts depending on amount of potatoes used). Beat until light, re-fill shells and put in oven to brown.

### Scalloped Apples.

- 1 quart sliced apples
- $\frac{1}{4}$  cup butter
- $\frac{1}{4}$  cup sugar

- $\frac{1}{4}$  teaspoon grated nutmeg
- $\frac{1}{2}$  lemon grated, rind and juice
- 2 cups bread crumbs

Melt butter and stir into crumbs slightly with fork. Cover bottom of buttered baking dish with crumbs and spread over  $\frac{1}{2}$  of apples; sprinkle with  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the sugar, nutmeg and lemon juice and rind mixed together; repeat, cover with remaining crumbs and bake 40 minutes in moderate oven. Cover at first to prevent crumbs browning too rapidly.

### Macaroni and Cheese

- $1\frac{1}{2}$  cups macaroni broken in small pieces
- 1 cup grated cheese
- 1 cup bread crumbs
- 3 tablespoons butter
- 3 tablespoons flour
- 2 cups milk
- 1 teaspoon salt

Cook macaroni in boiling salted water until tender, drain and pour over it a dash of cold water. Make a white sauce of the last four ingredients and stir grated cheese into mixture. When cheese is melted pour the cheese sauce over the cooked macaroni and mix well. Turn into a baking dish and bake in a moderate oven until brown. For a change of flavor a small amount of peanut butter or dried beef can be substituted for cheese.

### Hash Brown Potatoes.

To 2 cups of cold boiled potatoes finely chopped add salt and pepper to taste. Pour over potatoes  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup of melted drippings. Mix potatoes thoroughly with fat, cook about three minutes, stirring constantly. Let stand to brown underneath. Fold as an omelet and serve on platter.

### Spinach with Hard Boiled Eggs

Wash spinach thoroughly. Steam until cooked. If spinach isn't steamed, cook in as little water as possible. Season and put in serving dish. Garnish with hard boiled egg sliced thin.

If one prefers, a little hot bacon fat can be poured over cooked spinach.

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### Fried Parsnips.

Boil parsnips until tender, cut in slices and fry until brown.

### Rice Soufflé

2 cups scalded milk  
2 tablespoons butter  
2 tablespoons flour  
1 teaspoon salt  
Pinch pepper  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  cup stale, soft bread crumbs  
2 cups cooked rice  
Yolks of 3 eggs  
1 tablespoon finely chopped parsley  
Whites of 3 eggs beaten stiff

Make a white sauce of first five ingredients. Add bread crumbs, and cook ten minutes. Remove from fire, add rice, yolks of eggs and parsley, then fold in whites of eggs. Turn in buttered baking dish, bake 35 minutes in slow oven.

### Stuffed Green Peppers.

6 green peppers  
1 onion (finely chopped)  
2 tablespoons butter  
3 tablespoons bread crumbs  
4 tablespoons lean raw ham  
Salt and pepper  
 $\frac{1}{3}$  cup water

Cut a slice from stem of each pepper, remove seeds and parboil peppers fifteen minutes. Cook onion in fat three minutes, add ham and cook about one minute, then add water and bread crumbs. Cool mixture, sprinkle peppers with salt, fill with cooked mixture, cover with buttered bread crumbs and bake ten minutes.

### Creamed Brussel Sprouts and Celery.

Remove wilted leaves from one quart Brussel sprouts and soak sprouts in cold water fifteen minutes. Drain and cook in boiling salted water twenty minutes or until tender. Drain again. Cut washed celery in small pieces; there should be one and one-half cups. Melt 3 tablespoons of butter, add celery, and cook two minutes, then add 3 tablespoons flour, and pour on gradually

$1\frac{1}{2}$  cups of scalded milk. Bring to boiling point, add sprouts, season with salt and pepper, and serve as soon as sprouts are reheated.

### Potato Cakes.

Take left-over potatoes, and to 2 cups of mashed potatoes add 1 beaten egg,  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup milk and salt and pepper, make into cakes and fry in drippings.

### Fried Egg Plant.

Pare egg plant, cut in  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch slices. Let stand in cold salted water about 3 hours. Drain, let stand in cold water a few minutes and dip in flour to which has been added salt and pepper, and fry until crisp and brown.

### Rice and Cheese Croquettes.

$\frac{1}{2}$  cup rice  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  cup boiling water  
1 cup scalded milk  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon salt  
Yolks of 2 eggs  
1 tablespoon butter  
2 tablespoons grated cheese

Wash rice, add to water with salt, cover and steam until rice has absorbed water. Then add milk, stir lightly with fork, cover and steam until rice is soft. Remove from fire. Add cheese and stir slightly until cheese is melted. Add egg yolks and fat. Put in shallow pan to cool. Shape in balls, roll in crumbs, dip in eggs, again in crumbs, and fry in deep fat. Drain and serve with tomato sauce.

### Stuffed Egg Plant.

Cook eggplant 15 minutes in salted water to cover. Cut a slice from top and with a spoon remove pulp. Chop pulp and add 1 cup soft stale bread crumbs. Fry out 3 slices of bacon and fry in bacon fat  $\frac{1}{2}$  tablespoon finely chopped onion until brown. Add to the chopped pulp and bread and season with salt and pepper, and if necessary moisten with a little water. Cook 5 minutes, cool slightly and add one beaten egg. Refill egg plant, cover with buttered crumbs and bake 25 minutes in hot oven.

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### Fried Tomatoes.

Slice ripe tomatoes in  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch slices; dip in flour to which has been added salt and pepper and fry until brown.

### Rice and Cheese with Tomatoes.

Follow directions for rice and cheese croquettes, but instead of making croquettes pour tomatoes over rice and heat in oven a few minutes, or make a tomato sauce and pour over rice and cheese as it is served.

## SALADS.

### Fruit Salad.

- 1 cup diced apples
- 1 cup diced oranges
- 1 cup diced bananas

Mix fruit and pour on a good salad dressing. Any number of fruits can be used in fruit salad, but these three are very popular because they are nearly always in season. Pineapple and grapefruit are very nice additions to this fruit salad.

### Boiled Salad Dressing—I.

- 4 eggs
- $\frac{3}{4}$  cup lemon juice
- 1 teaspoon salt
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup butter or vegetable oil
- 2 to 3 tablespoons water
- 2 tablespoons sugar

Break eggs into inner portion of double boiler, beat until blended but not foamy. Add lemon juice, water, salt and oil. Remove from fire and cool. If dressing should curdle place in pan of cold water and beat with an egg beater.

### Boiled Salad Dressing—II.

- 1 tablespoon flour
- 1 tablespoon sugar
- 1 teaspoon mustard
- Paprika and salt,  $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon

Mix dry ingredients and add  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup milk, 1 cup dilute vinegar and 2 well beaten eggs. Cook in double boiler.

### Mayonnaise Dressing.

- 1 egg yolk
- 2 tablespoons vinegar

- $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon mustard
- $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon salt
- $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon powdered sugar
- Pinch paprika
- $\frac{3}{4}$  cup olive oil

Mix dry ingredients, add yolk, beat together. Add little vinegar and beat, and little oil and beat vigorously. Gradually add more oil until all is added, beating vigorously. Oil should be very cold when dressing is to be made.

### Cabbage Salad.

Slice a firm cabbage very thinly. Serve with boiled dressing or any other which the family prefers. This salad may be varied by adding a few chopped nut meats and served as cabbage and nut salad. A stalk of celery may be added and served as cabbage and celery salad. A few pickled beets can be mixed with the sliced cabbage and served as cabbage and beet salad.

### French Dressing.

- 1 teaspoon salt
- $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon paprika
- 2 tablespoons vinegar
- 6 tablespoons oil

Mix together and shake before using.

### Kidney Bean Salad.

- 1 can kidney beans
- 1 cup chopped celery
- Boiled salad dressing

### Cole Slaw

Slice cabbage very thinly. Pour over it following dressing.

- $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon salt
- 1 egg
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup milk
- 2 teaspoons butter
- $\frac{1}{4}$  cup vinegar
- $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon mustard
- 1 teaspoon sugar
- $\frac{1}{4}$  teaspoon pepper

Heat milk, add dry ingredients to egg. Then add milk to egg mixture. Cook to a custard. Add butter and vinegar and strain over shredded cabbage. Set away to cool.

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### **Grapefruit and Celery Salad.**

Remove all flesh from grapefruit and cut in small pieces. To 1 cup of prepared grapefruit add 1 cup diced celery. Serve on lettuce leaves with salad dressing.

### **Waldorf Salad.**

Mix equal quantities of finely cut apple and celery and moisten with boiled salad dressing. Serve on lettuce leaves.

### **Potato and Pea Salad**

1 cup boiled diced potatoes  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  cup peas

Mix with French dressing and serve on lettuce leaves.

### **Shrimp Salad.**

Remove shrimp from can, wash and let stand in ice water for few minutes, then drain. To two small cans of shrimp add two medium sized tomatoes cut in small pieces and one stalk of celery (diced). Moisten with desired salad dressing and serve on lettuce leaves.

### **Banana and Nut Salad.**

Cut banana lengthwise and then in half. Put two pieces on lettuce leaf and pour over it boiled salad dressing. Sprinkle a few chopped nuts on top.

### **Egg, Olive and Potato Salad.**

Follow recipe for potato salad, but cut up several olives and one or two hard boiled eggs. The number of each depends upon amount of salad made.

### **Stuffed Egg Salad.**

Remove yolks of hard boiled eggs. Mix with boiled salad dressing. Cut up several olives and add to yolk and dressing mixture. Put back into whites and serve on lettuce leaves.

### **Tomato and Egg Salad.**

Remove skin from firm ripe tomatoes. Cut hard boiled eggs through center and remove yolks. Mix with salad dressing and fill whites again. Turn tomatoes bottom side up and stand refilled whites in

place where part of core was removed. Serve on lettuce leaf with more salad dressing. This is a very pretty salad.

### **Pear Salad.**

Put canned pears on lettuce leaves, pour over them a salad dressing. Sprinkle a little chopped celery or chopped nuts on top.

### **Tuna Fish Salad.**

Remove fish from can, pick flakes apart. To 1 cup of fish add  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup of diced celery. Mix with boiled salad dressing. Serve on lettuce leaves.

### **Deviled Egg Salad.**

4 hard boiled eggs  
1 teaspoon mustard  
1 tablespoon melted butter or oil  
1 tablespoon vinegar  
1 tablespoon cut parsley  
1 teaspoon salt  
Dash of cayenne pepper

Cut hard boiled eggs into halves lengthwise and remove yolks. Powder the yolks with a fork, then add salt, pepper, mustard and vinegar mixed together. Add the butter or oil. Mix until smooth and fill into whites. Serve on a bed of lettuce.

### **Apple and Raisin Salad.**

3 cups diced apples  
1 cup cut raisins  
 $\frac{1}{4}$  cup lemon juice  
Lettuce

Wash and dry raisins, add lemon to chopped apples and mix with raisins. Serve on lettuce leaves with salad dressing.

### **Lettuce and Onion Salad.**

Slice onions on lettuce leaves and serve with French or boiled salad dressing.

### **Tomato Salad.**

Skin ripe tomatoes and place on lettuce leaves and serve with any desired salad dressing. Tomatoes may be served whole or sliced.

When sliced tomatoes appear on the menus it is intended that a dish full be placed on the table rather



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than served to each person as is done when salad is mentioned. This is, however, an individual matter and if the housewife prefers to always serve them as salads she could take the liberty to do so or vice versa.

### Cottage Cheese and Olive Salad.

Chop a few olives and mix with cottage cheese. Arrange on lettuce leaves. Serve with French or boiled dressing.

### Pea and Carrot Salad.

If peas and carrots are left over from a meal wash them free from white sauce. Arrange on lettuce leaf and serve with any desired dressing.

### Chicken Salad.

Cut cold boiled fowl or remnants of roast chicken in  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch dice. To two cups add one and one-half cups of celery cut in small pieces. Moisten with salad dressing and serve on lettuce leaves.

### Salmon Salad.

Remove salmon from can. Take out the bones as far as possible. Serve with boiled salad dressing.

### Salmon and Orange Salad.

To 2 cups of salmon salad add 1 medium sized orange cut in small pieces. This makes a pleasant change from the regular salmon salad.

### Salad from Left Over Greens.

Arrange left over greens on plates and serve with French or boiled salad dressing. This can be garnished with hard boiled eggs.

### Date and Nut Salad.

Wash and stone dates. Place an English walnut meat in center of each date. Arrange four or five dates on bed of crisp lettuce and serve with salad dressing.

There are innumerable kinds of salads. Any left over meat, fruit, fish or vegetables which are in good condition can be used. Just mix with salad dressing and serve on let-

tuce or other salad leaves. Strips of pimento often add to the appearance of a salad.

## HOT BREADS.

### Nut Bread—I.

- 2 cups milk
  - 1 teaspoon baking powder
  - 1 cup flour
  - 3 cups graham flour
  - 1 cup nut meats
  - $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon salt
- Bake 1 hour.

### Nut Bread—II.

- 1 egg
  - $\frac{1}{2}$  cup sugar
  - 1 cup milk
  - 1 cup nut meats
  - $3\frac{1}{2}$  cups flour
  - 4 teaspoons baking powder
  - $\frac{1}{4}$  teaspoon salt
- Let rise  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour. Bake  $\frac{3}{4}$  hour in moderate oven.

### Apple Fritters.

- $1\frac{1}{3}$  cup flour
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 egg
- $\frac{1}{4}$  teaspoon salt
- $\frac{2}{3}$  cup milk

Mix dry ingredients, add milk and egg well beaten. Slice apples into batter and drop by spoonful into deep fat. Serve with sauce.

### Banana Fritters.

- 1 cup flour
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 tablespoon powdered sugar
- $\frac{1}{4}$  teaspoon salt
- $\frac{1}{4}$  cup milk
- 1 egg
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- 3 bananas

Mix and sift dry ingredients. Beat eggs until light, add milk, and combine mixtures, then add lemon juice and banana forced through sieve. Drop by spoonfuls into deep fat, fry until a golden brown, and drain. For general rules for testing fat for frying see the Boston Cooking School Cook Book.



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### Lemon Sauce for Fritters.

- $\frac{1}{3}$  cup butter
- 1 cup sugar
- Yolks of 3 eggs
- $\frac{1}{3}$  cup boiling water
- 3 tablespoons lemon juice
- Few gratings lemon rind

Cream butter, add sugar and yolks of eggs slightly beaten. Then add water and cook over boiling water until mixture thickens. Cool and add lemon juice and rind.

### Sauce for Fritters—I.

- $\frac{3}{4}$  cup brown sugar
- 1 cup water
- 1 tablespoon cornstarch
- Boil 5 minutes, cool. Add
- 1 tablespoon butter
- $\frac{1}{2}$  tablespoon vinegar
- 1 teaspoon vanilla

### Sauce for Fritters—II.

- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup butter
  - 1 cup light brown sugar
  - 4 tablespoons milk
  - 1 teaspoon vanilla
- Cook to syrup

### Sauce for Fritters—III.

- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup sugar
- 1 cup water
- 1 tablespoon cornstarch
- 2 tablespoons butter
- $1\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon lemon juice
- Pinch salt

Mix sugar, cornstarch and water. Boil 5 minutes, add butter and lemon juice. Stand in double boiler till ready to serve.

### Waffles.

- $1\frac{3}{4}$  cups flour
- 3 teaspoons baking powder
- $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon salt
- 1 cup milk
- Yolks 2 eggs
- Whites 2 eggs
- 1 tablespoon melted butter

Mix and sift dry ingredients, add milk gradually, yolks of eggs well beaten, butter and whites of eggs beaten stiff. Cook on a greased hot waffle iron.

### Boston Brown Bread.

- 1 cup rye flour
- 1 cup cornmeal
- 1 cup graham flour
- $\frac{3}{4}$  teaspoon soda
- 1 teaspoon salt
- $\frac{3}{4}$  cup molasses
- 2 cups sour milk or
- $1\frac{3}{4}$  cups sweet milk

Add raisins if desired. Steam  $3\frac{1}{2}$  hours. Mould should not be filled more than  $\frac{3}{4}$  full.

### Cheese Straws.

- 4 tablespoons finely grated cheese
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 4 tablespoons flour
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 1 egg
- 1 tablespoon milk

Mix together and roll out the thin paste. Cut in narrow strips. Bake a light brown in a quick oven.

### Doughnuts.

- 1 cup sugar
- 1 tablespoon butter
- 1 cup milk
- 2 eggs
- $\frac{1}{8}$  teaspoon salt
- $\frac{1}{8}$  teaspoon nutmeg
- 4 cups flour
- 4 teaspoons baking powder

Roll out and cut. Care should be taken that grease is not too hot. Put a small piece of raw potato in grease and if it turns a nice brown in 40 seconds grease is all right to use.

### White Muffins.

- $2\frac{1}{2}$  cups flour
- 5 teaspoons baking powder
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup sugar
- 5 tablespoons melted shortening
- $1\frac{1}{4}$  cups milk
- 3 eggs
- Pinch salt

Mix and sift dry ingredients, add milk and egg yolks and shortening. Fold in beaten whites. Bake in muffin pans.

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### Graham Muffins.

- 1 cup graham flour
- 1 cup white flour
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup sugar
- 4 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup milk
- 1 egg
- 2 tablespoons melted shortening

Mix and sift dry ingredients. Add milk gradually, egg well beaten and shortening. Bake in muffin pans.

### Cornmeal Muffins.

- 2 eggs
- $\frac{1}{4}$  cup butter;  $\frac{3}{4}$  cup sugar, creamed together
- 1 cup cornmeal
- 2 cups flour
- $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon salt
- 4 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 cup milk

Proceed as for other muffins.

### Popovers.

- 2 eggs
- 1 cup flour
- 1 cup milk
- Pinch salt

Beat all together until smooth batter is formed. Pour into hissing hot gem pans or buttered earthen cups. Bake about 30 minutes in hot oven.

### Cheese Crackers.

Put a little grated cheese on saltines. Melt and brown in oven. These are a nice addition to most salads.

### Cornbread.

- 1 cup milk
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- $\frac{1}{4}$  cup sugar
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup flour
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cups cornmeal
- 2 tablespoons shortening

Beat all together, then add 1 egg well beaten.

### Ginger-Bread.

- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup sugar
- 1 cup shortening
- 1 cup molasses

2 teaspoons soda

3 cups flour

1 egg

1 cup boiling water

1 teaspoon cinnamon

1 teaspoon ginger

1 teaspoon cloves

Bake in moderate oven.

## RELISHES, PRESERVES, ETC.

### Carrot Marmalade.

4 lbs. carrots

3 lbs. sugar

1 lemon, juice and grated rind

1 orange

Wash, scrape and steam carrots until soft. Chop fine and mix with fruit and sugar. Cook gently one hour or until mixture is rather thick when tried on cold dish. Seal in tumblers.

### Grape Conserve.

1 small basket grapes

$\frac{1}{2}$  lb. English walnut meats

1 lb. raisins

Pulp grapes and cook pulp. Put through a sieve. Mix and add 1 cup sugar to each cup of grapes. Cook 15 minutes after they begin to boil well. Wash and cut up raisins, but do not chop. Cut walnut meats into small pieces and add nuts and raisins to grape pulp. Put directly in jars.

### Rhubarb and Pineapple Conserve.

Mix 1 quart peeled, sliced rhubarb with one large pineapple also peeled and cut into small pieces. Cover with 2 quarts of sugar, stir thoroughly and let stand over night. In morning add juice and rind of one lemon, and pulp of 2 oranges, all seeds being carefully removed. Cook rapidly for  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour, stirring to prevent burning. Add  $\frac{3}{4}$  cup chopped blanched almonds. Cook 10 minutes longer. Turn into jelly glasses and seal. The nuts can be omitted.

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### Orange Marmalade.

- 6 oranges
- 1 lemon

Wash fruit first. Cut fruit in quarters, discard seeds and slice through pulp as thinly as possible or put fruit through a meat chopper. Weigh the prepared fruit, and to each pound add three pints of cold water. Let stand about 2 hours. Put in preserving kettle and boil gently until rind is quite tender. Measure material and to each pint add one pint of sugar. Let cook until mixture thickens slightly when tried on a cold dish. Put in tumblers and cover with paraffin. This can be varied by using different fruits.

### Plum Conserve.

- $\frac{1}{2}$  peck plums
- 2 lbs. sugar
- 1 lemon, juice and grated rind
- 2 oranges, juice and grated rind
- $\frac{1}{2}$  lb. English walnut meats

Cook plums in as small amount of water as possible until soft. Rub through a sieve. Add sugar and fruit and let cook slowly for about 1 hour or until quite thick. When about done add washed walnut meats. Fill jelly glasses with mixture and cover with paraffin.

### Rhubarb Conserve.

- 4 lbs. rhubarb
- 5 lbs. sugar
- 1 lb. seeded raisins
- 1 lemon
- 2 oranges

Wash and peel rhubarb and cut in one inch pieces. Put in kettle, sprinkle with sugar, add raisins and grated rind and juice of lemon and oranges. Mix, cover and let stand one-half hour. Put on fire, bring to boiling point and let simmer 45 minutes, stirring almost constantly. Fill jelly glasses and seal.

### Pop Corn Balls.

- 1 cup light brown sugar
- 1 tablespoon butter
- 3 tablespoons water

Boil until thick and pour over 2 quarts of popped corn. Let cool and form into balls.

### Cherry Jam.

Wash and pit cherries. To each cup of cherries add  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup of sugar, add little water and let boil down until quite thick. If a very sweet jam is desired add more sugar.

### Pepper Relish.

- 6 large green peppers  
(no seeds)
- 1 red pepper
- 1 medium size cabbage
- $\frac{1}{4}$  cup salt
- 1 cup sugar
- 2 tablespoons mustard seed

Chop peppers and cabbage, add rest of ingredients and cover with vinegar. Put away in glass or stone jars.

### Corn Relish.

- 18 ears of corn (cut off)
- 1 small cabbage run through meat chopper
- 1 bunch celery
- 4 onions
- 2 green peppers chopped

Pour over mixture 1 quart of vinegar. Mix together.

- 2 cups sugar
- 1 cup flour
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup salt
- 1 teaspoon mustard
- $\frac{1}{4}$  teaspoon cayenne
- $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon tumeric

Add 1 quart vinegar slowly. Combine two mixtures and let boil about 40 minutes. Fill jars and seal.

### Chow-Chow.

- 1 quart small cucumbers
  - 1 quart large cucumbers
  - 1 quart small green tomatoes
  - 1 quart small button onions
  - 1 large cauliflower
  - 4 green peppers (cut fine)
- Cut all in pieces

Make brine of 4 quarts of water and 1 pint salt. Pour over vegetables and let stand 24 hours. Then heat enough to scald and drain in colander. Mix 1 cup flour, 6 tablespoons ground mustard, 1 tablespoon tumeric powder with cold vinegar to make smooth paste. Then add 1 cup light brown sugar and enough

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vinegar to make 2 quarts in all. Boil until it thickens, stirring all the time. Add the vegetables and cook until heated through. This makes about 5 quarts and can be kept in Mason jars.

### Chili Sauce.

$\frac{1}{2}$  bushel ripe tomatoes }  
1 dozen medium onions } chopped  
4 red peppers, cut finely  
1 pound of light brown sugar  
2 tablespoons salt  
2 cups vinegar  
2 tablespoons ground cinnamon  
1 teaspoon ground mace  
1 teaspoon ground cloves  
Cook until tender, about 5 hours

### Tomato Relish.

1 peck ripe tomatoes chopped  
and drained  
2 cups chopped celery  
6 large onions chopped  
6 red peppers chopped—seeds out  
2 pounds light brown sugar  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  cup salt  
2 tablespoons cinnamon  
2 oz. mustard seed  
1 quart vinegar  
Mix all together and put into bottles (no cooking).

## BEVERAGES.

### Chocolate.

Melt  $\frac{1}{2}$  pound chocolate in double boiler, add  $1\frac{1}{2}$  cup sugar, and about 1 cup water. Cook until mixture forms a thick syrup. Pour into a jar for future use. When you want to make chocolate heat the milk and to each pint of milk add 2 teaspoons of above mixture. It is very easily and quickly prepared. The amount of water and sugar to be added to the melted chocolate varies a little with the brand of chocolate used. The amount of sugar also depends upon individual tastes.

Cocoa is cheaper than chocolate, so we have included it in the menus as one of the breakfast drinks. We feel, however, that chocolate made according to the above rule is much

easier to prepare than cocoa, but this is an individual matter which a housewife must decide for herself.

### Pineapple Lemonade.

1 cup sugar  
2 cups water  
Boil 10 minutes.  
1 cup grated pineapple  
Juice of 3 lemons  
Strain and add 5 cups of ice water.

## DESSERTS.

### Date Pudding—I.

$1\frac{1}{2}$  cups flour  
1 teaspoon baking powder  
2 tablespoons sugar  
2 tablespoons butter  
1 egg  
 $\frac{3}{4}$  cup milk  
1 cup dates  
1 cup nut meats  
Bake in sheet about 20 minutes.  
Serve with whipped cream, foamy sauce or lemon cream sauce.

### Date Pudding—II.

1 cup sugar  
2 eggs (beaten light)  
1 tablespoon flour  
1 teaspoon baking powder  
1 cup walnut meats  
1 cup dates cut fine  
Bake slowly in a sheet 20 minutes.  
Serve with whipped cream or pudding sauce.

### Foamy Sauce.

1 egg  
1 cup sugar  
Beat to a cream  
1 cup milk  
1 teaspoon butter  
1 teaspoon vanilla  
Let stand in double boiler over hot water  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour. Stir frequently.

### Creamy Sauce.

$\frac{1}{2}$  cup butter  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  cup powdered sugar  
 $\frac{1}{4}$  cup cream  
When beaten together stir in double boiler until melted. *Do not boil.*

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### Lemon Cream Sauce.

$\frac{1}{2}$  cup butter (creamed)  
Add  $1\frac{1}{4}$  cups powdered sugar  
Grate rind of 1 lemon  
4 tablespoons lemon juice.

Beat 5 minutes and add little nutmeg. Just before serving put over boiling water for 2 or 3 minutes.

### Apple Tapioca.

$\frac{3}{4}$  cup pearl or minute tapioca  
cold water  
 $2\frac{1}{2}$  cups boiling water  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon salt  
7 sour apples  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  cup sugar

Soak tapioca one hour in cold water to cover, drain. Add boiling water and salt, cook in double boiler until transparent. Arrange cored and pared apples in buttered pudding dish. Pour sugar on apples, pour over tapioca, and bake in moderate oven until apples are soft. Serve with vanilla sauce or cream. Minute tapioca requires no soaking.

### Spanish Cream.

3 tablespoons gelatine  
1 quart milk (boiling)  
4 eggs  
4 tablespoons sugar  
1 teaspoon vanilla

Dissolve gelatine in boiling milk—cool slightly. Add yolks of eggs and sugar well beaten together. Stir until it thickens. Remove from fire, add whites stiffly beaten and vanilla. Pour into wet molds. Turn out when firm and serve with cream.

### Huckleberry Roll.

1 quart flour  
2 teaspoons baking powder  
1 teaspoon salt

Mix enough shortening to flour to make a rich dough, roll out thin and put on berries and sprinkle with sugar and a little nutmeg. Roll up like a jelly roll and bake in moderate oven. Serve with vanilla or foamy sauce. This can be made with any kind of berries.

### Cornstarch Pudding.

4 cups scalded milk  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  cup cornstarch  
 $\frac{1}{4}$  cup sugar  
 $\frac{1}{4}$  teaspoon salt  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  cup cold milk  
1 teaspoon vanilla

Mix cornstarch, sugar and salt, add  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup cold milk. Add to scalded milk, stirring constantly until mixture thickens. Afterwards cook 15 minutes. Pour into moulds to cool. Crush the fresh fruit, add enough sugar to sweeten and just before serving add cream. Turn cornstarch pudding out in dish and pour fruit mixture over it.

### Cocoanut Cake.

3 cups flour  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  cup butter  
2 cups sugar  
1 cup milk  
2 teaspoons baking powder  
3 eggs  
1 grated cocoanut

Cream the butter and sugar, then add the well beaten eggs. Stir in the milk, and add the flour with the baking powder. Fold in the grated cocoanut. Bake in deep tin.

### Bread Pudding.

1 pint bread crumbs  
 $1\frac{1}{2}$  cups sugar  
1 quart of sweet milk  
4 eggs  
Juice and rind of 1 lemon  
2 tablespoons butter

Raisins can be added if desired.

Soak crumbs in milk, add 1 cup of sugar and beaten yolks of eggs, and grated rind of lemon. Bake in moderate oven until set. Let cool. Beat whites of eggs to stiff froth, adding  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup of sugar and juice of lemon. Spread a layer of tart jelly over top of pudding and add the meringue. Place in oven to brown. Serve with cream.

### Sliced Oranges and Shredded Cocoanut.

Peel and slice oranges and sprinkle with dry shredded cocoanut.



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### Lemon Sherbet.

- 2 cups sugar
- 4 cups water
- 2 egg whites
- $\frac{3}{4}$  cup lemon juice

Boil sugar and water about 10 minutes. Cool. Add lemon juice to syrup and then add beaten egg whites. Freeze.

For plain apricot or peach sherbet follow recipe for lemon sherbet, but substitute  $1\frac{1}{2}$  cups of apricot or peach pulp (made by cooking apricots or peaches and putting through a sieve, or use canned peaches or apricots). A richer apricot sherbet can be made as follows:

- 1 quart can of apricots
- 4 oranges
- 2 lemons
- 3 egg whites
- $1\frac{1}{2}$  quarts of water
- 1 cup sugar
- 2 cups cream

Press oranges, apricots and lemons through a sieve. Boil sugar and water 10 minutes, cool and add fruit pulp, cream and beaten egg whites. Freeze.

### Baked Bananas.

Remove skins from 6 bananas and cut in halves, lengthwise, and put in a shallow granite pan. Mix 2 tablespoons melted butter,  $\frac{1}{3}$  cup sugar, and 2 tablespoons lemon juice. Baste bananas with  $\frac{1}{2}$  the mixture. Bake 20 minutes in slow oven, basting during baking with remaining mixture.

### Creamed Rice with Dates.

- 4 cups milk
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup rice
- $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon salt
- $\frac{1}{3}$  cup sugar
- 1 cup dates

Wash rice, mix ingredients and pour into buttered pudding dish. Bake 3 hours in a slow oven, stirring 3 or 4 times during first hour to prevent rice from settling. Raisins can be used in place of dates, or no fruit at all need be added. This is also called rice pudding.

### French Toast.

Dip dry bread in following mixture and fry until brown. Serve with syrup.

- 2 eggs (well beaten)
- 1 cup milk
- 1 teaspoon salt
- $\frac{1}{4}$  teaspoon pepper

### Chocolate Soufflé

- 2 tablespoons butter
- 2 tablespoons flour
- $\frac{3}{4}$  cup milk
- $1\frac{1}{2}$  squares of chocolate
- $\frac{1}{3}$  cup sugar
- 2 tablespoons hot water
- 3 eggs
- $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon vanilla

Melt butter; add flour, and pour on gradually the milk. Cook until boiling point is reached. Melt chocolate in saucepan placed over hot water, add sugar and water, and stir until smooth. Combine mixtures and add yolks of eggs well beaten—cool. Fold in white of eggs beaten stiff and add vanilla. Turn into buttered baking dish and bake in moderate oven about 25 minutes. Serve with foamy sauce.

### Pineapple Whip.

- 1 cup grated pineapple
- Beaten whites of 5 eggs (sweetened)

Beat together until light and fluffy. Serve cold with or without a sauce.

Prune Whip like Pineapple Whip but substitute 1 cup prune pulp for pineapple.

Apricot Whip like Pineapple Whip, but substitute 1 cup apricot pulp for pineapple.

### Pineapple Sponge.

- 1 cup tapioca, soaked over night—pour off water
- Juice of a small can of pineapple
- Juice of 2 lemons
- 1 cup water

Cook tapioca until clear, add  $1\frac{1}{2}$  cups sugar. Let boil and then remove from stove. Add beaten whites



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of 3 eggs and pineapple cut in small pieces and fruit juices, beat well, serve cold. Some kinds of tapioca do not require soaking over night.

### Sponge Cake.

4 eggs  
1 cup sugar  
2 tablespoons cornstarch  
2 teaspoons baking powder  
Flour to make 1 cup  
1 teaspoon vanilla  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon salt

Separate eggs, add 3 tablespoons water to yolks, and beat well. Add sugar and then remaining dry ingredients. Fold beaten whites into above mixture. Put in angel food tin and put into cold oven and then bake very slowly.

### Devil's Food Cake.

$1\frac{1}{2}$  square chocolate melted  
2 tablespoons butter melted  
1 cup sugar  
1 egg  
1 cup milk  
1 teaspoon soda  
Pinch salt  
 $1\frac{3}{4}$  cup flour  
1 teaspoon vanilla\*

Mix all together. Beat with Dover egg beater.

### Frosting.

1 sq. chocolate, melted  
1 tablespoon butter  
1 egg  
Powdered sugar to thicken

### Chocolate Custard.

4 cups milk  
5 eggs  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon salt  
1 teaspoon vanilla  
 $\frac{3}{4}$  cup sugar  
2 squares chocolate  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  cup water

Melt chocolate, add sugar and water, and cook until syrup is formed. Pour into milk and add eggs and flavoring. Pour into buttered baking dish and bake as custard.

Chocolate pudding differs from chocolate custard in that the pudding requires less eggs, and flour or cornstarch is the thickening agent. The

pudding is cooked until thick on top of the stove and poured into molds to cool. This is also called Chocolate Blanc Mange.

### Caramel Pie.

1 cup damson preserves  
1 cup sugar  
 $\frac{3}{4}$  cup butter  
4 eggs  
1 cup milk  
1 teaspoon vanilla

Cook all together and pour into baked pie crust. This is enough for 2 pies. Other preserves such as plum or peach can be substituted for damsons.

### Custard Pie.

2 eggs  
3 tablespoons sugar  
 $\frac{1}{8}$  teaspoon salt  
 $1\frac{1}{2}$  cups milk  
Few gratings of nutmeg

Beat eggs slightly, add sugar, salt and milk. Line plate with pie paste. Strain in the mixture and sprinkle with few gratings of nutmeg. Bake in moderate oven.

### Banana Custard.

Arrange alternate layers of stale cake and sliced bananas in cups, and pour over boiled custard. Replace bananas by oranges and it is called orange custard. The cake can be omitted if not on hand. Almost any kind of fruit can be used, or coconut.

### Boiled Custard

2 cups scalded milk  
Yolks of 3 eggs  
 $\frac{1}{4}$  cup sugar  
 $\frac{1}{8}$  teaspoon salt  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon vanilla

Beat eggs slightly, add sugar and salt; stir constantly while adding gradually hot milk. Cook in double boiler, continue stirring until mixture thickens and a coating is formed on spoon. Strain immediately, chill and flavor. If cooked too long custard will curdle. Should this happen by using a Dover egg beater it may be restored to a smooth consistency, but custard will not be as thick.

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### Chocolate Bread Pudding.

- 2 cups dry crumbs
- 1 qt. milk
- 2 squares chocolate (melted)
- $\frac{2}{3}$  cup sugar
- 3 eggs
- $\frac{1}{4}$  teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon vanilla

Mix all together and add melted chocolate. Bake in moderate oven.

### Baked Apples.

Fill centers of apples after core is removed with raisins or dates. Allow  $\frac{3}{4}$  cup of sugar and  $\frac{1}{4}$  teaspoon cinnamon for 6 apples. Cover bottom of dish with water. Baste apples while cooking. Raisins or dates can be omitted if one so desires.

### Chocolate Pie.

- 2 cups milk
- 2 tablespoons cornstarch
- 3 tablespoons chocolate (melted)
- 2 egg yolks
- 1 cup sugar

Cook as for pudding. Put in baked crust. Use whites for meringue. Brown in oven.

### Banana Cream Pie.

- 2 cups milk
- 1 tablespoon cornstarch
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup sugar
- 3 egg yolks
- 1 tablespoon butter
- 1 teaspoon vanilla

Cook in double boiler until quite thick. Slice bananas in baked pie crust. Pour custard over them. Cover with meringue made from whites. Brown in oven.

### Tapioca Custard.

- 5 tablespoons tapioca
- 4 cups milk
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup sugar
- 3 eggs
- 1 teaspoon lemon extract

Cook tapioca and milk until tapioca is soft and transparent. Beat eggs, add sugar to them. Pour tapioca-milk mixture into eggs and sugar.

Add lemon extract and turn into baking dish and bake until set.

### Caramel Custard.

- 4 cups scalded milk
- 5 eggs
- $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup sugar

Put sugar into pan, and stir constantly until melted to light brown color. Add gradually to milk, being careful that milk doesn't bubble over, as is liable on account of high temperature of sugar. When sugar is melted in milk add mixture gradually to beaten eggs. Add salt and flavoring, and strain into buttered baking dish. Place dish in pan of hot water and bake as custard.

### Chocolate Sauce.

- 1 square chocolate
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 tablespoon butter
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup boiling water
- $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon vanilla

Melt chocolate, add butter, pour on gradually water. Bring to boiling point, add sugar. Let boil 10 minutes. Cool slightly. Add vanilla.

### Cottage Pudding.

- $\frac{3}{4}$  cup sugar
- 1 egg
- 4 tablespoons melted butter
- 1 cup milk
- $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon salt
- $2\frac{1}{2}$  cups flour
- 2 teaspoons baking powder

Mix together in order given, or put all together and beat with a Dover egg beater. Bake in sheet or as cup cakes. Serve with a sauce.

### Chocolate Steam Pudding.

- 1 egg
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 cup milk
- 2 cups flour
- 3 teaspoons baking powder
- $\frac{1}{4}$  teaspoon salt
- 2 oz. chocolate

Melt chocolate over hot water. Beat egg, add it to milk; sift flour.

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baking powder and salt together, add to milk-egg mixture gradually. Add chocolate last. Steam in buttered molds 2 hours. (This is a very stiff mixture.) Serve with creamy, foamy or hard sauce.

### Washington Cream Pie

- 1 cup sugar
- 5 eggs
- 1½ cups water
- 1 cup flour
- 1 teaspoon baking powder

This makes enough for two thin layers. Put together with vanilla custard. Put white frosting on top, and when white frosting has cooled cover top with melted bitter chocolate.

### Vanilla Custard.

- 1 cup milk
- 2½ tablespoons cornstarch
- Pinch of salt
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 1 egg yolk
- 1 teaspoon vanilla

Cook in double boiler until like soft custard.

### Cherry Pudding.

- 1 tablespoon sugar
  - ¼ cup butter
  - ¼ cup milk
  - 1 egg
  - 1½ cups flour
  - 1 teaspoon baking powder
  - ½ cup cherries—juice drained off
- Put into buttered molds, steam 2 hours. For sauce add small amount of sugar to cherry juice, then thicken, cook until clear. (Don't make too thin.)

### Lemon Pie.

Make crust for 2 pies. Bake in moderate oven.

### Filling for 2 Pies

- Yolks of 5 eggs
  - 2 lemons—rind and juice
  - 3 tablespoons cornstarch
  - 1½ cups sugar
  - About 1 quart of water.
- Stir almost constantly until thick.

Use the 5 egg whites and 1 cup of powdered sugar for meringue.

If only 1 pie is to be made just take as nearly one-half the recipe as possible.

### Apricot Fluff.

- 1½ pounds dried apricots
- 2 egg whites

Wash apricots and let stand in water about 12 hours or until soft. Put through colander, and to 3 cups of pulp add ½ cup of sugar. Beat egg whites stiff and fold into apricot pulp.

### Custard Sauce

- 2 cups milk
- 2 eggs
- ½ cup sugar
- ½ teaspoon vanilla
- 1 tablespoon butter

Let stand in double boiler 1 hour. Do not boil. Stir frequently.

### Brown Betty.

Line buttered baking dish with bread crumbs. Put apples, prepared as for sauce, in center. Sprinkle with nutmeg. Bake in oven until apples are soft. Serve with hard sauce or foamy sauce.

### Hard Sauce.

- ¼ cup butter
- ¾ cup powdered sugar
- ¼ teaspoon lemon
- ⅔ teaspoon vanilla

Cream butter, add sugar gradually, also flavoring.

### Lemon Sauce.

- 1 cup sugar
- 1 tablespoon flour
- 1 tablespoon butter
- 1 lemon (juice)
- Grated rind
- Little nutmeg

Beat well, add 1½ cups water, let come to boil and serve.

### Vanilla Sauce.

- 1½ cup brown sugar
  - ¾ cup water
  - 2 tablespoons cornstarch
- Mix sugar and cornstarch, add water. Boil 5 minutes. Cool and add 2 teaspoons vanilla.

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### English Plum Pudding

2 cups flour  
1 cup bread crumbs  
1 cup brown sugar  
1 cup seeded raisins  
1 cup currants (English)  
2 oz. candy peel cut fine  
3 well beaten eggs  
 $\frac{1}{4}$  teaspoon cinnamon  
 $\frac{1}{4}$  teaspoon cloves  
1 teaspoon salt  
1 teaspoon baking powder

$\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon baking soda  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  pound beef suet chopped fine

Mix all together dry, add enough milk to make a very stiff mixture. Tie in a cloth and put in boiling water. Keep covered and boil for four hours. The longer it is boiled the better. Serve with a good pudding sauce.

This can be made about two weeks before Christmas and then boiled another two hours before serving.

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